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WASHINGTON.

The Usury Law—Banking and Currency—American Commerce—The New Loan and the Syndicates—Mr. Brooks.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The House Committee on Banking and Currency, this morning ordered to be reported Mr. Merriam's bill, providing for the repeal of the usury clause of the National Banking act. The intention of the Committee is to assist in relieving the stringency of the money market, which it is supposed the existence of these clause tends to increase. The point was raised that the repeal of this clause might still leave banking officials amenable to the provisions of State statutes against usury. It was argued in opposition to this theory that inasmuch as the National Banking act, gives jurisdiction to the Courts of the United States only in proceedings against these banks for usury, the State usury statutes would not run against bank officials.

BANKING AND THE CURRENCY.

The same Committee informally considered the general question of the currency. No action was had, except that a general understanding was reached that there should, if possible, be a joint session of this Committee and the Senate Finance Committee, in order to attempt to arrange a compromise upon some bill. It is evident that there is great contrariety of opinion among the members of the Committee with respect to currency legislation. Mr. Hooper favors resumption, and has a plan of his own materially different from the bill of Mr. Sherman. Messrs. Cox and Randall advocate resumption, much as the late Mr. Greeley did. Mr. Farwell deares free banking, and considers that the policy of the Government toward banks, after providing for the adequate security of circulation, should be one of non-interference. Mr. Merriam wishes free banking, and has a bill repealing the restricting clause of the Banking act. Mr. Monroe approves such increase of the currency as will meet the expectations of the West and South, and has a bill to add twenty five million to the volume of the currency. This bill is based upon the statement of the Controller of the Currency, to the effect that he finds it impracticable to comply with the mandates of the law requiring the withdrawal of that amount from the East, and its transfer to the South and West. The conflict of views existing in the Committee extends to the House, and it is the general impression of members of the Committee that no currency legislation can be secured this short session. It would seem that the Sherman Resumption bill is not approved by a majority of the members of this Committee.

THE COLORADO BILL.

Colorado trembled briefly in the balance in the House today, and will be voted down, according to the general impression, at 1½ to-morrow, the hour fixed for action. Mr. Sargent has an amendment pending which makes admission as a State conditional upon female suffrage, so that the direct vote upon this much-agitated new political dispensation may be expected.

REVIVAL OF AMERICAN COMMERCE.

Mr. Shellabarger made one of the ablest speeches of the session today, in opening the discussion upon the bill of the Committee of Commerce for the revival of American commerce by means of a bounty of $15 per ton upon iron and $12 per ton upon wooden vessels for five years. The vital relation between the commerce of a nation, and its whole material prosperity, was shown by an exhaustive study into the statistics of all countries in all times. The capacity and value of a merchant marine as a war navy was abundantly proven, and as means of maritime defense alone, and as the cheapest and most practicable means. Mr. Shellabarger urged upon the House the imperative duty of prompt and effective action to place our commerce upon its feet again. He looked upon the method proposed by the pending bill as the most efficient, the most just, and the least objectionable that can be devised. It will bring the cost of building vessels in this country within ten per cent. of what it costs to build them upon the Clyde. If its conditions are complied with fully, it will cost about $1,300,000 per annum, which sum, compounding each year, will amount to about $9,000,000 at the end of the five years, at which time, Mr. Shellabarger believes, American trade will have remained such a foothold that the demand for American ships will make that branch of industry self-sustaining and self-developing. Mr. Cox opened the opposition to this general subsidy measure by affirming his old recipe for the revival of American commerce by granting American register to foreign built vessels. This is what Mr. Shellabarger calls the revival of our commerce by the sacrifice of our ship-building industry, and it has often, within the past few years, received the unqualified condemnation of Congress. Mr. Kelley followed in defense of the bill, and the debate will be continued and concluded to-morrow. The passage of the bill as it stands is problematical, and there will doubtless be a shower of amendments.

THE SLOOPS OF WAR.

The time of the Senate was today, taken up by a speech from Mr. Alcorn, on the levees of the Mississippi River, to such an extent that little progress was made with the bill to build sloops of war. An amendment, offered by Mr. Chanin, limiting the total tonnage of the ten sloops to 10,400 tons, and the cost to $400,000 each, was adopted. An important amendment was offered by Mr. Sherman, designed to prevent the difficulties that have so often arisen about claims for extra work. The amendment provides that the models and specifications shall be completed before any work is done on a vessel, and that the models shall not be changed, except on the recommendation of a board of five; which, in recommending changes, shall estimate the cost. Mr. Sherman has another amendment to offer, which, if passed, will repeal the Eight-hour law, so far as work in the navy-yards is concerned. The bill will probably reach final action to-morrow.

PERSONAL.

Hon. B. R. Curtis arrived to-night. He comes to attend to important business before the Supreme Court.

The negro cadet, appointed from Florida, who has been expelled from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, was expelled because he could not keep up with his class. In his case no complaint of ill treatment is made against any members of the Academy.

Gov. Pinchback, of Louisiana, was on the floor of the Senate today. Gov. Warmoth was not, although he is here.

THE GENEVA AWARD BILL.

The House Judiciary Committee considered Gen. Butler's Geneva Award bill, together with the report on the subject which he has prepared and submitted. No conclusion was reached, and it was resolved to meet and dispose of the question on Thursday.

THE NEW LOAN.

The proceedings of the Ways and Means Committee were decidedly interesting today. It was proposed to decide the question of approving or disapproving the proposed action of the Secretary in the further funding of the loan through the offers of the syndicates. There were several party discussions on the question of communicating their opinion to the Secretary, the Democrats finally putting themselves on record in a protest against the propriety of the Committee reporting to anybody but the House. The Committee, however, adopted a resolution proposed by Mr. Roberts, directing the Chairman to inform the Secretary that the Committee does not intend to recommend any action at this session with reference to the five per cent loan. Messrs. Beck and Kerr voted nay, and Mr. Brooks was not present. All the Republicans voted yea. It is known that this action is in accordance with the Secretary's wishes, and it is understood that he will at once dispose of the propositions before him from the two syndicates.

There was a good deal of satisfaction expressed both in the Senate and House this afternoon at the telegraphic announcement that Judge Howe had been re-elected Senator from Wisconsin for a third term, and that, too, without the formality of a caucus nomination.

The proceedings before the Poland Credit Mobilier Committee today were decidedly interesting. Mr. Brooks appeared on the stand and made a new statement of the complications surrounding his position, a full report of which will be found in another column. Mr. Brooks' late testimony is exceedingly interesting and important. Subsequently Senator Patterson appeared and made another statement in reconciliation of the differences between his former statement and the testimony of Oakes Ames. The latter subsequently appeared again on the witness-stand, and, producing a memorandum, reiterated his statement that Mr. Patterson was the owner of thirty shares of Credit Mobilier, and that he received two dividends on the same. Mr. Ames will testify further to-morrow.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate today: William K. Pesbody to be Consul at Rio Grande, Brazil; William H. Roberts, of Massachusetts, to be Second Lieutenant, and Frank H. Newcomb and W. S. Howland, of Massachusetts, to be Third Lieutenants in the Revenue Marine service.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate in Executive Session today confirmed the following nominations:

Postmasters—Alex. F. Lobdell, at Brewster Station, N. Y.; George Harriman, at Waterford, N. Y.; Charles Morgan, at Glenn Falls, N. Y.; George R. Eldridge, at Cuba, N. Y.; David Wiggin, at Greenport, N. Y.; Elisha P. Luscomb, at Lebanon, N. H.

A. Knight, Attorney for the Northern District of Florida; James G. Service, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Montana, vice John L. Murphy, suspended; Charles S. Mills, Collector of Customs at Richmond, Va.; Manuel Garfias, Consul at San Blas, Mexico; James Thorington, Consul at Aspinwall; Enoch Jacobs, Consul at Montevideo; Andrew J. Simmons, Indian Agent at Milk River Agency, Montana Territory; R. A. Wilbur, Agent for the Papago Indians, Arizona; Samuel B. Bushnell, Indian Agent for the Mescalero Apache Agency, New-Mexico; Levi E. Dudley, Superintendent of Indian Affairs at New-Mexico, and Wm. G. Dilts, Register of the Land Office at Ironton, Mo.

NAVAL ORDERS.

Commander John G. Walker is ordered to the Navy-yard at Boston; Lieut. George R. Durant was detached from the Nipsic on the 7th instant, and placed under waiting orders; Chaplain W. R. Cobb has been ordered to the Mare Island Navy-yard; Lieut.-Col. M. O. L. Simpson, Chief Commissary of Subsistence in the Military Division of the Pacific, has been ordered here to confer with the Commissary-General regarding affairs of the Subsistence Department on the Pacific coast.

THE MISSOURI SCANDAL.

Investigation into the Charges of Bribery in the Senatorial Election.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 21.—The testimony taken by the Senatorial Bribery Investigation Committee in secret session last week, at Jefferson City, closed at a late hour last night. Quite a number of witnesses were examined, but nothing directly implicating any candidate was elicited. It was shown, however, that Gen. Dorris, of St. Louis, for whom one vote was cast in caucus, got several one thousand dollar bills changed at two Jefferson City banks for smaller notes, and drafts of one hundred dollars each, payable to bearer; that Col. Kitchen and one or two other parties had large notes changed in a similar manner; that Dorris had given a man named Wilson, of Kansas City, thirty-five hundred dollars to assist in procuring his (Dorris') election, and that Dorris made him refund eleven hundred dollars.

Senator Essex testified that a stranger came to him while in one of the caucuses, and after a little conversation left on his desk a paper upon which was written "three hundred dollars," which Essex construed to mean a bribe to vote for Mr. Bogy.

Mr. Wade, from Scott County, testified that he had been told that any member could have his expenses paid during the Winter by voting for Dorris.

Mr. Mallencott, of St. Louis, testified that Mr. Smith informed him previous to the caucus that there would be no caucus nominee, in which case there would be a chance for him (Mallencott) to make $1,000 or $1,500. He pointed out two members of the House who then had $200 in their pockets, and would get $300 more after the caucus; that they were to vote for Bogy, and that money was to be used to elect Bogy.

Mr. Smith further stated that a roll was kept in Bogy's room, and every man who accepted the proposition had to sign the roll and receive his money. Witness understood from an interview with Smith that Bogy furnished the money, and that as many votes as could be got, both Republicans and Democrats, were to be bought for Bogy. With the exception of the testimony of bankers regarding the changing of large bank bills into small drafts and notes, all the evidence so far has been hearsay or second-hand. The bankers think that about $15,000 was in circulation during the contest.

In the Senatorial bribery investigation, today, Mr. Stanclt testified that on the night of the caucus he handed a slip of paper to Senator Essex, with "Three hundred dollars" written thereon, and told Essex he had better take that, and vote for Bogy; but it was said in fun, without authority, and not for the purpose of influencing the gentleman's vote; and he regretted very much the seriousness it had assumed.

Mr. D. A. Sutton testified that he had heard that Mr. Edens, a member of the House, had paid money to five members to influence their votes for Bogy, but knew nothing of his own knowledge.

Mr. Allen testified that he had a conversation with Mr. McSmith, in Gen. Blair's room, in which Mr. McSmith said that Edens had $2,500 belonging to Davis. Mr. Allen's impression was that McSmith was acting for Blair.

Several other gentlemen testified to street rumors of money being used, but knew nothing positive.

FLORIDA.

The Civil Rights Bill—The Senatorial Contest.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Jan. 21.—The Civil Rights bill passed the Senate today by a vote of 14 to 8, two Conservative Senators voting with the majority. The first section of the bill is as follows: That no citizen of this State shall, by reason of race, color, or previous condition of servitude, be excepted or excluded from the full and equal enjoyment of any accommodation, advantage, facility, or privilege furnished by inn-keepers, by common carriers, whether on land or water, by licensed owners, managers, or lessees of theatres, or other places of public amusement, by trustees, commissioners, superintendents, teachers, and other officers of common schools and public institutions of learning, the same being supported by moneys derived from general taxation, or authorized by law; also of cemeteries, associations, and benevolent associations supported or authorized in the same way, provided that private schools, cemeteries, and institutions of learning established exclusively for white or colored persons, and maintained respectively by voluntary contributions, shall remain according to the terms of the original establishment. The second section imposes a penalty for the violation of the first section. The third section is as follows: "That every discrimination against any citizen on account of color, by the use of the word 'white,' or any other term in any law, statute, ordnance, or regulation, is hereby repealed or annulled."

Both Houses voted at 12 o'clock, today, for United States Senator, with the following result: Ex-Gov. Walker, 18; Osborne, 6; Conover, 13; Henderson, 8; Mecham, (colored,) 11; ex-Gov. Reed, 4; Bisbee, 3; Cheney, 5; Gen. Sprague, 1; McCall, 1; Small, 1; Long, 1; Graw, 1, and Gleason, 2. The Legislature meets to-morrow in joint assembly, for the purpose of voting for a United States Senator. It is probable the vote to-morrow will determine who will be Senator.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Inauguration of Gov. Hartranft—Gen. Cameron Re-elected.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

HARRISBURG, Penn., Jan. 21.—Gen. John F. Hartranft was inaugurated Governor of Pennsylvania today. The ceremonies were attended by a military and civic pageant of a splendor and extent unequaled in this capital on a similar occasion for many years. Notwithstanding the deep snow on the ground, and frequent rain and hail during the day, there were at least 1,000 soldiers in line, with 600 uniformed soldiers' orphans from the different State schools. There were many political clubs from all parts of the State, including the Cameron Club of New-York City, with the Ninth New-York Regiment Band. This club atracted great attention, and was received with enthusiam along the line of the procession. Gov. Hartranft's inaugural is a clear and bold exposition of the policy of his administration, in which he pledges himself to veto any bill passed to interfere with the sinking fund and apply it to purposes other than that named in the law creating it. He also pledges himself to veto all special legislation, in view of the anticipation that the Constitutional Convention, now in session, will diminish the power of the Legislature to grant such privileges, and recommends that the pardoning power now exercised by the Governor be lodged in the hands of a commission. These are the main points of the inaugural, and have given general satisfaction.

Gen. Simon Cameron was re-elected United States Senator today for his fourth term, receiving the entire Republican vote, Wm. A. Wallace getting the Democratic vote. Mr. S. Quay is the Secretary of State appointed by Gov. Hartranft, and Wayne McVeigh will be the Attorney-General. Ex-Gov. Geary was selected by the Legislature to act as one of Pennsylvania's Commissioners on the centennial celebration. A great number of office-hunters are now here, urging their claims for the favors at the disposal of the new Administration.

ILLINOIS.

Democratic Protest Against the Election of Gov. Oglesby.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 21.—Today the Legislature voted for United States Senator. In the Senate the vote stood: R. J. Oglesby, 32; Lyman Trumbull, 16; W. F. Coolbaugh, 2. In the House Gen. Oglesby received eighty-three votes and Trumbull sixty. To-morrow the two Houses will meet in joint session to announce the vote. A protest by the Democrats was entered in the House today, and a similar protest will be presented to the Senate to-morrow, taking the ground that Gen. Oglesby is ineligible to the office. This action is opposed by quite a number of Democratic members as being not only utterly useless but simply ridiculous.

THE NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

Several New Bonds Proposed—The Jersey City Police Commissioners.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

TRENTON, Jan. 21.—In the House today, two important railroad bills were introduced. One authorizes a road from some point in Salem County, in the southern part of the State, to some point in Somerset County, running by way of Mount Holly and Princeton. The capital of the Company is $2,000,000. The road would be nearly an air line. It is supposed to be in opposition to the interests of the Pennsylvania Central, which now controls all the local roads in that section. Another bill authorizes a road from Flemington, in Hunterdon County, to Hampton Junction, where the New-Jersey Central and the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Roads now unite. The road will be only thirty miles in length, but it would be an important auxiliary to both the roads named. The capital is fixed at $500,000.

The House today adopted a resolution authorizing the appointment of a committee to inquire into the Stanhope Railroad fraud. This act, which never passed the Legislature in the form in which it appears among the published statutes, is one of the half-dozen acts relied upon by the National Air-line Company to give it a through route across the State. The Committee, as announced at the afternoon session, consists of Messrs. Ryder, Carse, Macknet, A. J. Smith, and Mutchler, and has power to send for persons and papers and make a thorough and exhaustive investigation. It is believed that, the Committee being composed of strong and impartial men, all the facts as to this vexed subject will now be elicited. Should they prove to justify suspicion of fraud, the repeal of the charter will no doubt promptly follow. By a subsequent resolution the Committee was empowered to inquire into the circumstances attending the lease of the United Railways of New-Jersey to the Pennsylvania Central.

A bill introduced in the House today proposes to restore to the rights of citizenship the Police Commissioners of Jersey City, who were some time ago convicted of malfeasance in office, in making assessments for political purposes upon members of the police force, &c. As the Commissioners have continued to exercise the functions of their office notwithstanding their conviction, there will probably be no serious objection to the passage of the act exempting them from their present disabilities.

A strong delegation of Democratic politicians from East Jersey is here, urging the Governor to appoint Gen. Theo. Runyon, of Newark, as Chancellor. The Governor is said to incline to the appointment of Chief-Justice Beasley, and the advancement of the present Attorney-General to the Chief Justiceship—giving his place to Runyon. This arrangement, however, is not acceptable to the influential men of his party, and he may be compelled to abandon it. Should he persist in his programme, the Republicans of the Senate will probably refuse to confirm any of his nominations, since, being largely in the majority, they feel that they have a right to be consulted, and that for the Governor to make wholesale transfers instead of the single nomination required by law, merely to strengthen himself publicly, would be an unwarrantable exercise of his prerogatives.

The Georgia Senatorship—Friends of all the Candidates Confident.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 21.—The first ballot for United States Senator was had today, with the following result: Aggregate vote 209, of which Gordon received 98; Stephens, 56; B. H. Hill, 31; Fielder, 17, and Akerman 12. Gordon lacked 18 of being elected, 106 being necessary to a choice. The second balloting will take place to-morrow at noon, and, in the absence of a choice, the third and last balloting on the day following. Mr. Stephens' friends express great confidence, as it was supposed the balloting today was the result of a combination in his favor. Many well-informed Democrats assert that Gov. Smith will yet be the choice, as his friends are making strong combinations in his behalf.

Nevada Senatorial Election.

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev., Jan. 21.—The Legislature this morning, the branches voting separately, elected John P. Jones Senator by majorities of 8 in the House and 11 in the Senate. There will be a joint session to-morrow, when the vote will be officially promulgated.

ALBANY.

Nomination of Roscoe Conkling as United States Senator—The First Struggle With the Lobby Not Successful.

From Our Special Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1873.

In pursuance of the act of Congress, and in compliance with a joint resolution adopted last week, when the hour of noon arrived, all other business was laid aside in the Senate and Assembly, and the presiding officers in each announced that the law required the House to proceed to nominate a Senator of the United States in place of Roscoe Conkling, to serve in the United States Senate for six years from the 4th of March next. In the Senate when the name of Senator Allen was called, he rose and said that if he had been permitted to participate in the caucus of the majority he would have voted for the candidate of that caucus, but not having been allowed that privilege, he would vote for Wm. M. Evarts. The roll-call then proceeded without incident, until the name of Mr. Harrower, the next Liberal Republican, was reached, when he voted for Henry R. Selden, without explanation. Mr. Palmer, the other Liberal Republican, when called, said that his Republican associates had denied him admission to the caucus of the party, and had treated him, in the arrangement of the committees, as if he were a Democrat. He was understood to say that the same voice which had spoken so decisively for Grant and Dix had spoken with equal plainness for Roscoe Conkling. He therefore voted for that gentleman. On the conclusion of the call, it was found that the five Democrats present, including Mr. Tiemann, had voted for Charles Wheaton, one of the Liberals had voted for Mr. Evarts, another for Mr. Selden, and the third for Roscoe Conkling, who, in addition, received the votes of the Republican members present. In the Assembly there was no incident whatever, each member voting as his name was called, without remark. Every Republican was present and voted for Roscoe Conkling, except Mr. Griffen, who was absent, and the vote was announced as 93 for Conkling and 26 for Wheaton. Senator Conkling was, therefore, declared duly nominated in both Houses, but the election cannot be consummated until at noon, when the Houses will meet in joint convention to compare nominations.

THE FIRST FIELD DAY.

During the morning hour Mr. Tobey, of Essex, called up the report of the Committee on Rules, with the result of bringing upon the Assembly its first general debate and developing something of its temper. The proposed amendments were taken up separately, and some important changes made without any excitement. When the 57th rule was reached, the amendment reported proposed to strike out the following words:

"No other persons shall be admitted to the floor during the session, except upon the permission of the Speaker."

The rule grants the privilege of the floor only to the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, members of the Senate, State officers, regents of the University, the Capitol Commissioners, persons in the exercise of official duty, reporters for the Press, and ex-Speakers of the Assembly. The proposed change, therefore, limits admissions absolutely to those mentioned. Mr. Prince opened the fight upon the amendment, for the reason that if the Speaker were deprived of this power, the time of the House would be taken up with resolutions to admit persons to the floor. Mr. Alberger opposed the amendment because he wanted the advice and counsel of his friends, and Mr. Lincoln took the same ground, because the amendment would make a Star Chamber of the House. "Denny" Burns was of the same mind, and earnestly desired the attendance of the people, evidently thinking the more there should be of outside pressure, the more merrily would the wheels of legislation go round. Mr. Vedder took the same side, and betrayed a most intense devotion to Speaker Cornell, saying he did not want it to go out to the world that the Assembly had lost confidence in its Speaker, as would be done by this vote. Mr. Vedder also wanted to let in the lobby in order that he might see who was afraid of it. Having expressed his unbounded confidence in his own virtue, he sat down, and was immediately punctured by Mr. Tobey, who stated that the amendment had been reported upon consultation with and at the express request of Speaker Cornell. Mr. Berbe, of Sullivan, a Democrat, and a new member, made a powerful speech in favor of the amendment, and proved that he is a man of mark in the deliberations of the Winter. Mr. Pierson, of Albany, Mr. Herring, also spoke in favor of the amendment, and Mr. Coggeshall, of Oneida, against it. After a debate of over an hour the amendment was defeated, by a vote of 64 to 51, most of the Democrats voting in the minority. The Assembly, therefore, voted to permit its floor to be inundated this year as in former days, but Mr. Jacobs offered an amendment that the persons admitted under the rule be restricted to the seats at the rear of the hall, which was adopted without a division, and the Assembly thus gave Speaker Cornell the power to protect it. The question as to the intrusion of the lobby, it was said, was not properly in the debate, but having been brought in, the Republicans permitted themselves to be placed in a false position by defeating the amendment proposed by Mr. Tobey, especially as it was well known that the lobbyists had openly boasted that they would kill the amendment. It is possible that some of the Republicans voted under a misapprehension, as through the tactics of Mr. Prince and Mr. Alberger the question was taken in an indirect form, it being taken on a motion made by Mr. Prince, and afterward withdrawn, but renewed by Mr. Alberger, to strike out that portion of the report of the Committee on Rules. The following is the vote:

Yeas—*Abbott*, Alberger, Babcock, Balts, *Blessing*, E. E. Brown, J. H. Brown, *Burns*, Burritt, Cochue, Coggeshall, Costello, *Couchman*, Crandall, Crawford, *Cummings*, Davidson, Denniston, Elting, Flinn, Foote, Fowler, Furbeck, Gere, Goss, Hardy, Hendee, Herrick, Higgins, *Hill*, Hillyer, Hiller, Hollister, Husted, Kennedy, Landfield, Lewis, Lincoln, Manley, Marcey, McQueen Mie, Pell, Persons, Philpot, Porteous, Prince, Rice, Rose, Schoonmaker, Snyder, Swain, *Tompkins*, Townsend, A. S. Van Dusen, W. J. Vandusen, *Van Valkenburgh*, Vedder, Walt, West, Wight, White, Yeomans, Young—64.

Nays—Badger, *Beebe*, Biglin, Blackie, *Blumenthal*, Brewes, Bulkley, *Carpenter*, Clapp, Clarke, *Cook*, Cope, Dexter, *Donohue*, Ford, Forte, Gilbert, *Hayes*, Heacock, *Healey*, Herring, *Jacobs*, *Johnson*, Jones, Knettles, Lynde, *Mackin*, *McGuire*, Moore, *Mosher*, *Oakley*, O'Brien, Opdyke, Patterson, Phillips, Pierson, *Ray*, Raynor, *Rooks*, Smith, The Speaker, Suydam Sylvester Tobey, Van Cott, *Van Demark*, *Voorhis*, Walker, *Weed*, Wells, Whalen, Worth—63. (Democrats in both yeas and nays in italics.) There was very general chagrin among those who had hoped to keep the session entirely free from all on side influences at the result of this vote, but it was considered decisive for the time, and the rejection of the amendment was consummated without another division. Foremost among the advocates of the reform in the rules was Speaker Cornell, and he was prevented only by his sense that such a proceeding on his part would be indecorous, from descending to the floor and urging the members to abrogate the rule which is the palladium of the lobby. There is a determination, however, not to leave the matter in its present shape, but the members are to be afforded an early opportunity to retrieve the blunder they have made.

The Assembly got into another squabble over the distribution of the clerks of the Committees as reported by Mr. Tobey from the Committee on Rules, but finally it was agreed to. Mr. Prince was so anxious to increase the number of clerks that he asked unanimous consent to introduce a bill a resolution making the number twenty, instead of sixteen, but, this being refused, he introduced it subsequently in the regular order of business, when it was voted down by a large majority. The general result of the whole debate on the report of the Committee on Rules was to show that the Assembly may, after all, be painfully like its predecessors.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. Blackie introduced a bill creating a Commission of Immigration, to be composed of seven Commissioners appointed by the Governor and Senate, and making the Mayor, the Presidents of the Irish Society and of the German Society, members *ex officio*. The Commissioners are clothed with the same general powers vested in the present Board.

In the Senate, Mr. Johnson introduced his bill of last session to regulate railroad freights throughout the State. He complained that the Committee on Railroads, last year, had retained the bill till it was too late in the session to secure its passage, and, therefore, as the bill related principally to fixing tolls, he moved it be referred to the Committee on Canals. A vote was taken on this motion, and it was lost. The bill is intended to compel railroad companies to charge the same rates on freight between intermediate points as their lines as on through freight—in other words, to equalize the local and through rates.

Several bills were passed to a third reading, among them the two acts relating to the Court of Appeals, and that providing for double sessions of the Court of General Sessions in New-York.

After the vote had been taken on the election of United States Senator, the Senate took up the Curtis case. Mr. Johnson moved the deliberations on it be held with open doors, while Mr. Allen and Mr. Wood and Mr. Lewis were in favor of a secret session. The discussion on this question began to grow brisk, when, on a point of order raised by Senator Madden, who quoted the forty-sixth rule to sustain, the President decided that the doors should be closed. The Senate adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock, when it was understood the voting in the case would commence.

At the session of the Constitutional Commission today, Mr. Robinson, from the Committee on State Offices, reported in favor of electing a Controller at the same time the Governor is elected, and for the same term; the State Treasurer to be elected by the Legislature on joint ballot, and the Secretary of State, Attorney-General, State Engineer, and Superintendent of Prisons to be appointed by the Governor. The remainder of the morning session was taken up in debating questions of special legislation.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Eliza Henderson Boardman Otis.

Mrs. Harrison Gray Otis died at her house, on Mount Vernon-street, Boston, yesterday morning, after an illness of several months. Her life was distinguished in many ways, and her active interests so varied that it is no exaggeration to speak of her death as a public loss. Her maiden name was Eliza Henderson Boardman. Her father was a Boston merchant, and in that city she was born and reared, marrying at an early age Harrison Gray Otis, Jr., the eldest son of Harrison Gray Otis, a name associated with many prominent events in our history. The younger Mr. Otis inherited the brilliant qualities of his father, and was a rising member of the Bar when he died, leaving a widow and three sons, one of whom survives Mrs. Otis. Her long residence abroad, for the purpose of educating her children, made her wish to return to her native city. Her drawing-rooms soon became famous. With a grace peculiar to herself, she presided at her Thursday evening receptions, and it was beneath her modest roof, where hospitality was extended without ostentation, that many a young man of merit found his first recognition, and many authors, artists, and professional men were introduced to fame and subsequent fortune.

For many years her house was open to all who were pleased to call upon the anniversary of the birthday of Washington, and through her efforts mainly, the 22d of February became a legal holiday, in the State, while the Mount Vernon ball which she initiated and carried through was the means of adding a liberal contribution to the fund for the purchase of Mount Vernon. The crowning act of her life was her encouragement of the Soldiers' Relief Rooms during the war. She dispatched business with great facility, and at the conclusion of her labors she received the thanks of the City Council of Boston for the good work she accomplished.

Without making any pretensions to authorship, Mrs. Otis was an agreeable and pleasant writer. In 1854 she published a society novel entitled *The Barclays of Boston*, and for many years she was a frequent contributor to the Press. The recent death of her brother placed her in possession of nearly $1,000,000, which she has disposed of by will.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

The Battle With the Modocs—A Petition from Arizona.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Official dispatches have been received at Army Head-quarters from Gen. Canby, dated Portland, Oregon, Jan. 20, giving an account of the attack of Col. Wheaton upon the Modoc stronghold on the 17th inst. The details are substantially the same as contained in the regular Press report.

The fight lasted from 8 o'clock in the morning until dark. A force of artillery and infantry have been ordered from the Department of Columbia into the District of the Lakes, and a company of cavalry was ordered into the district for the protection of the Surprise Valley. Reports reaching Gen. Canby from the interior posts as to the disposition of the Indians, are entirely satisfactory, although they appear to be fully apprised of the difficulty with the Modocs.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—Additional reports from the scene of Friday's battle with the Modoc Indians represent that ten of the white troops were killed and thirty wounded. Lieut. Roberts, of Fairchild's command, cannot live. The Modocs fought naked and with the greatest desperation, springing from rock to rock, picking off the soldiers, and obliging many of them to hide themselves till darkness afforded means for their escape. The troops made several charges along the line of the lava beds, but were repulsed. The howitzers could not be used to advantage, owing to a dense fog. Capt. Jack has the strongest natural position in the country.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—All the principal business firms in Northern Arizona have signed a petition addressed to the Secretary of War, representing the unfitness of the town of Tucson as the general and only depository of the Government funds, on account of its remoteness and the fact that it can only be reached by roads through a hostile Indian country. The petitioners desire that Prescott be made the place of deposit, or that San Francisco be selected for that purpose, as was the case formerly, when two Pay-masters made alternate trips from that city into the Territory.

Four companies of United States troops—two of artillery, one of infantry, and one of cavalry—started for the theatre of the Modoc war, today, from this city. The artillery will take the field as infantry. The total number is about 300. Later intelligence from the scene of the battle with the Modocs shows that fourteen whites were killed and twenty-three wounded. The troops were obliged to leave their dead on the field. The volunteers will leave for home in a few days, as their term of service will expire.

THE WHARTON TRIAL.

Chemical Analyses by Prof. Aiken Analyzed by Another Chemist.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 21.—At the Wharton trial today, Prof. Aiken was examined in regard to color tests, after which he was subjected to a rigid cross-examination by the counsel for the defense, during which he was asked if he had not made chemical experiments which were not approved of by the world of science. The prosecution objected, and the Court sustained the objection, the defense excepting. The witness was asked if he had not made the analysis in the Schoeppe case, which question was objected to and ruled out, the defense again excepting.

J. W. Mallet, Professor of Chemistry in the University of Virginia, was next examined in regard to the analysis made by Prof. Aiken. The following is the substance of his testimony: The tests used were certainly among the most important and proper to be used in the detection of antimony, and if the results obtained were on a sufficient scale and sufficiently distinct, and observed by a person accustomed to observe such reactions, they would satisfy my mind that antimony was present; but there are several other characteristic tests for antimony that I would have employed. On cross-examination, Prof. Mallet said: There are some cases in which, by a single test, it can be determined whether the property sought is present. Antimony is not one of this character. It belongs to a class of cases that can be detected by a series or group of tests, taken in connection and very often required to be employed in a certain order. By the use of one test you exclude one substance; by the second test, another, and so on until a result is obtained that can be called conclusive. In this case such a series of tests seem to have been made, and, if correctly made, and properly observed, they exclude the idea of all other substances, and point to antimony. But there are always other tests which may be used. How many of these it is advisable to employ, it is impossible to say, but some are so characteristic that it is proper to use them, though the number already employed have given a definite result. Some other tests seem to have been used in this case; others, that were strongly characteristic, were not; of the two tests employed, outside of the series that gave a decided result, one—the attempted crystallization of the solution on glass—was not decided, and, though this is not of much importance under the circumstances, yet I think the test should have been pursued further.

Mr. Syester—I object to an expression of opinion from the witness with regard to what Prof. Aiken should have done. The Court, Judge Hammond dissenting, sustained the objection.

The witness resumed—If the crystals obtained by Dr. Aiken were distinctly observed, and their forms seen to be different, it would throw great doubt upon the identity of the substances crystallized.

The hour of 3 o'clock having arrived, the Court adjourned until 9½ A. M. to-morrow.

THE FRESHET.

Later Advices from Port Deposit, Md.—Six Feet of Water in the Main Streets.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 21.—The Western Union Telegraph operator at Port Deposit, Md., has sent the following dispatch to this city:

"4 P. M.—The water has been steadily falling since yesterday afternoon, but there is still about six feet of water in the main streets. All houses on the river side have been deserted. Rain has been falling all day. Women and children have taken refuge on the hills, where they have built fires to keep them from literally freezing. Ice is gorged opposite the town, and piled up twenty-five feet high. There has been no loss of life as far as heard, but the destruction of property has been very great. Davis & Pugh, lumber-dealers, lose heavily here and at Lapidium, on the opposite side of the river, where, also, wharves and lime-houses were swept away, and the water was five feet deep in the warehouses of Noland & Co. A sash-factory had one side crushed in. There must be considerable damage done to stock and machinery. There are very few persons that have not suffered more or less.

Half-past three P. M.—It is still raining, and there is great fear that the rush of water from above will sweep away more houses on the lower side of the street, a few of which are now occupied. There is a huge mass of ice against the depot, which a return of the water would bring in and it would crush the building. It is still surrounded with water, which is about three feet deep on the depot floor. The railroad tracks through the town are still covered with water and ice to the depth of several feet.

Five P. M.—The water is again rising."

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22—1 A. M.—The low barometer has moved from Lake Erie south-east of Lake Ontario, with threatening weather and snow on the lower lakes and in Canada; in New-England, low pressures, north-easterly winds, sleet and rain prevail; in the Middle and South Atlantic States, clearing and clear weather, with brisk westerly to westerly winds; in the Gulf States, south-easterly winds and generally clear weather; in the mid Mississippi Valley, diminishing pressure and threatening weather, extending westward, with rain; in the Missouri Valley, from the upper lakes to the Ohio Valley, north-westerly winds and occasional snow, with partly cloudy weather prevail.

PROBABILITIES.

The low barometer in New-York will move eastward, with clearing weather, lower temperature, north-westerly winds, and occasional snow on the lower lakes, and in Canada and New England; for the Middle States, generally clearing weather, north-westerly winds, diminishing temperature, and occasional lows on the seaboard; for the Gulf and South Atlantic States, light winds, partly cloudy and colder weather; for the mid-Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys, and thence to Kentucky and Indiana, south-easterly winds, low pressures, threatening weather and occasional rain and snow; for the North-west and the upper lakes, increasing pressures, lower temperatures, north-westerly and north-easterly winds, and occasional snow.

City Meteorological Report.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature yesterday, with the average for the same, as indicated by the thermometer at Dickinson's drug-store, No. 3 Parkrow: 3 A. M., 37°; 6 A. M., 34°; 9 A. M., 36½°; 12 M., 39½°; 3 P. M., 41°; 6 P. M., 40°; 9 P. M., 37°; 12 P. M., 33°. Average temperature yesterday, 37¾°.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Hon. Timothy O. Howe was yesterday re-elected United States Senator from Wisconsin.

Simon Jordan's house and two barns at Cape Elizabeth, Me., were burned on Monday night.

The number of deaths in Baltimore from small-pox for the week ending on Monday at noon, was fifty-three.

Dr. Thomas Morley was held in $500 bail, yesterday, in Boston, charged with failing to report a case of small-pox.

A new bank, called the Central National Bank of Boston, was organized yesterday with a capital of $500,000.

Mrs. H. K. Storey, wife of W. F. Storey, editor of the Chicago *Times*, died at her residence in that city yesterday.

Mrs. Snider, a woman living in Jefferson City, Mo., chopped off the head of her six weeks' old infant while temporarily insane.

The Missouri Senate yesterday passed a concurrent resolution favoring the opening of the Indian Territory to settlement.

Mr. George W. Childs, proprietor of the Philadelphia *Public Ledger*, and wife, are the guests of the President and Mrs. Grant.

The Second state dinner of the season, given to the Justices of the Supreme Court, will take place at the White House this evening.

Ben Pittman, the phonographer, has gone to Washington, with a transcript of the last records of the Buell Court of Inquiry, covering 3,341 pages of legal cap.

The citizens of Salt Lake City are co-operating with others at Beaver in subscribing for a monument at the scene of the Mountain Meadow massacre

CREDIT MOBILIER.

Statement of Hon. James Brooks Before the Poland Committee—Supplementary Statement by Senator Patterson.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Judge Poland's Special Committee to inquire into the distribution of Credit Mobilier stock among members of Congress resumed its session at 10 o'clock this morning.

TESTIMONY OF MR. DURANT CONTINUED.

Thomas C. Durant was recalled. He testified that he had copies of all the books of the Credit Mobilier, among them a copy of the stock transfer-book; all transfers of stock made by him appeared in that book; did not think that any person to whom he transferred stock held it for the benefit of any member of Congress. Witness here produced a list of all persons to whom he had transferred stock. The name of J. B. Alley for 250 shares appeared on it, and witness said he sold it to him for 160, and produced Mr. Alley's receipt. The seventy-five shares in the name of H. C. Crane were held by him in trust for the benefit of the witness, and not for any member of Congress. The only members of Congress on the list produced were Boyer and Alley.

MR. BROOKS' TESTIMONY.

Hon. James Brooks was then sworn, and made the following statement:

Mr. McComb having sworn in the early part of this investigation that I was the only member of Congress within his knowledge to whom had been given Credit Mobilier stock to influence or bribe other members, and that fifty shares had thus been given me without consideration, I naturally enough, when thus outraged, felt indignant, and denounced him as a perjurer. Mr. Alley having since sworn that there is not one word of truth in this part of Mr. McComb's fabrication, and this having been confirmed by Mr. Ames' testimony, I ought, perhaps, to let the case rest; and I should let it rest thus, but for persistent efforts here to impair the testimony of both. The following letter from the acting Secretary of the Interior shows my first official relation with that road:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20, 1873.

Hon. L. P. Poland, Chairman, &c., House of Representatives:

SIR: Hon. James Brooks, of New-York, was commissioned a Government Director of the Union Pacific Railroad for the term of one year from the 3d day of October, 1867, and the oath of office filed by him in this Department was taken March 23, 1868.

(Signed,) B. R. COWEN, Acting Secretary.

It will thus be seen that for nearly six months I declined to take the oath of office. My hesitation arose mainly from the fact that there was discord in the Board, and while that existed I did not want to have it. When this discord was over, in compliance with a promise I had made to act, I took my seat in the Board, to the apparent satisfaction of all the hitherto discordant parties. The sacrifice was something to me, for to this official position I could not be a stockholder in the Union Pacific Road, and if I became a stockholder in the Credit Mobilier, though another corporation in another State, I subjected myself to misconstruction. Hence I was compelled to renounce a right to purchase at par from T. C. Durant 250 shares of the Credit Mobilier—a right belonging to me, as testified by him, in 1864 or early in 1865, before I was a member of Congress, and which did not become valuable until December, 1867. I said, therefore, to Mr. Durant, as he has already testified, that as a Government Director I could not and would not exercise my right to purchase this stock, but would transfer the right to C. H. Nelson, my son-in-law, to whom, as a stock operator, the right would be valuable. Mr. Durant made no objection, save as to the number of shares to be transferred, and he has stated that he compromised on that by selling fifty to Mr. Nelson, with a few Union Pacific bonds in addition, and a certain number of shares of Union Pacific stock, which were immediately entered upon the books, as seen by the records, in Mr. Nelson's own name. I did not then receive, and have never since received a cent, or a cent's worth from the transaction, as my own or in any other name. I have never recognized for nor had any dividend or allotment in any form from any shares entered on the books in Mr. Nelson's name, either directly or indirectly. I did not give Mr. Nelson the money to purchase the stock, deeming it wiser to make him pay me for it and give to him. I advanced the purchase money as a loan, as he testifies, and only as a loan, and held him responsible for paying it back as soon as he could. Hence, probably, as Mr. Ames testifies, although I have entirely forgotten the transaction, I acted to Mr. Nelson in paying Mr. Durant in part ($5,000,) by a draft to be deducted from a loan due me Jan. 22, by Mr. Durant, and in part $7,000 by a check. If there be any error or wrong in so public and natural an act I am incapable of seeing it. If I had been plotting for concealment, as insinuated, I certainly should not have given my right to purchase to a son-in-law but to some dummy—to some John Doe or Richard Roe—whose connection by marriage could not be traced to me in all the books of a great national corporation. The fifty additional shares purchased by Mr. Nelson himself on or about June 9, 1868, were necessarily sold to him by virtue of my agreement with Mr. Durant, and upon a statement of the fact to the Company it was conceded that the fifty shares belonged to him, upon his paying for them the par value, with interest from July 1, 1867. I never spoke to Mr. Alley nor to me upon this subject, as sworn by Mr. McComb; our relations were ever confidential, and he never gave me these fifty, nor any other shares, with or without consideration, either for myself or to influence or to bribe Democratic members of Congress.

Now, in setting forth this statement of facts, I do not intend to intimate directly or by way of these that I declined the ownership of Credit Mobilier stock because I was a member of Congress, for if I had never been named a Government director I should probably have been the owner of a large amount of that stock up to this day. I had every moral right to put to my paper stock as live stock—as sheep, or muddies, or cows, or oxen, mines, or barley, or timber, or steam-engines, or foundries, with two or three thousand tarified articles largely endowed by Congressional legislation; and no constitutional quorum can ever be got in either House of Congress, if members are to be expelled for owning stock, dead, agricultural, manufacturing, or commercial, when their interests are to be legislated upon.

From April 8, 1866, to March 4, 1867, I was not in Congress, and during that time, as a private citizen, whenever I had leisure, I exerted all the influence forsome or pen could give me to induce capitalists in the building of the Pacific Road, borrowing money for it and loaning—it money, at great risks, too, which led, when I was not a member of Congress, as Mr. Durant shows, to his promising me the right to purchase some of his shares in the Credit Mobilier; and what he has stated here is literally true, that the business transactions between us were in no way to influence Congress or legislation, but were the natural business transactions between man and man.

Now, I have only to add, that I have never been asked to give, nor have I given, a vote in Congress that I believed unjust to the Government, or for the profit of the Union Pacific Road; nor have I, as charged by Mr. McComb, asked Democratic member of Congress to vote of the road, and I do not remember ever to have spoken to any Democratic member upon any legislation relating to the road. All I have done was, when not a member of Congress, to accept a share, for Mr. Durant made to sell me, at par, certain shares of the Credit Mobilier stock, and when not a Government director of the Road, to transfer to Mr. Neilson the offer made me when not a Government director. This I do not believe to be a wrong, moral, social, political, or constitutional, it is not written in any code I have ever read or heard of.

In answer to a question by Judge Poland, Mr. Brooks testified that he was removed as a Government director of the Union Pacific Railroad in July, 1868; he purchased stock in the road in order to become a Government director; prior to that did not hold stock in the road; he could have had any number of shares prior to December, 1867. In the conversation with Durant, witness told him, as a Government director in the Union Pacific, he would not hold Credit Mobilier stock; he did not want to subject himself to misconstruction, although he had a right to hold the stock; if he had not been a Government director would probably have held a large amount of Credit Mobilier stock; the benefit of the contract between Nelson and Durant was a gift to Neilson by witness, but at the time he had no idea of its value; at that time Credit Mobilier was worth 130 and then went up rapidly; never had any conversation with Ames or Alley on the subject, because they were not his political or personal friends; he felt angry toward both of them, as both had voted to turn him (witness) out of Congress; did not hesitate to lend Neilson $10,000 or $20,000 at any time, being the son-in-law of witness and a man of property; witness had every confidence in him; the $10,000 loaned Mr. Neilson to pay for the stock had all been repaid; never kept any account with Mr. Neilson; witness knew very little of Credit Mobilier matters, but when he got the 100 shares he believed they carried with them all the privileges that any one else got, and I so informed Mr. Neilson; Mr. Neilson learned of his right to take fifty shares additional from conversations with Mr. Dillon; the only hesitancy on the part of the Company in delivering the fifty shares was whether they should come out of Durant's portion, or that of some other person; Mr. Dillon never charged the right of witness to those shares; never talked freely before Mr. McComb at all about the Pacific Railroad. McComb was never present when witness had conversation with Dillon; knew nothing about Credit Mobilier after he became Government director in the Union Pacific Railroad; had carefully avoided knowing anything about it; supposes Dillon was paid the $5,000 he loaned Neilson. Witness had never paid him; was sure of that.

Judge Poland—Mr. Neilson says he never paid it.

Mr. Brooks—Mr. Dillon says he has been paid; so it is a question of memory between Mr. Dillon and Mr. Neilson. The securities which Mr. Dillon got at the time were worth more than $5,000.

Judge Poland—You are sure you never paid it, and it was never paid out of your money?

Mr. Brooks—Yes, Sir; I am sure it was not; never received one cent profit from the Credit; neither directly or indirectly; witness lost in 1867 that the Union Pacific Road had gone to the dogs; Mr. Durant put $200,000 in it; he also induced Mr. Ames and Mr. Alley, and some other capitalists to go into it; before that the road was in a very bad way; in New-York the road stood so bad that nobody would touch Credit Mobilier stock at first; the road was built on a gigantic scale of expenditure at first.

Reference to his explanation in the House. Mr. Brooks said he confined himself to the fifty shares, and said nothing about the 100 shares, as Mr. McComb had charged specifically that all they had given him were those shares; besides, he consumed the hour allowed him, and could not say all he wanted to.

By Mr. Niblack—Witness felt enough interest in the matter after he became a Government director to see that his son-in-law should get his fifty shares, which he was entitled to. The first impulse of the witness when he became a Government director in the road, was to sell the Credit Mobilier stock he held, and pocket the proceeds; but subsequently he thought he could transfer it to his son-in-law.

Mr. Niblack—Well, to be frank with you, Mr. Brooks, I think it would have been better in you to retain the stock in your own name than to transfer it thus to your son-in-law.

Mr. Brooks—I think not. Let me ask you, Mr. Niblack, was it right for me to hold Government bonds during the war?

Mr. Niblack—Oh, well, I don't go into that subject. It is argued that we should hold nothing which can be affected by legislation. As to myself, I have always made it a point never to hold any kind of stock.

Mr. Brooks—Oh, well, if we are to own nothing in this world, I fear the Democratic Party will never get any votes. [Laughter.] What would you have done, Mr. Niblack, had you owned a valuable rival like that?

Mr. Niblack—Well, I don't know; I never was so fortunate.

Mr. Brooks—Well, I suppose I have done my share in abusing people in newspapers, and I am getting abused now. The newspapers hurt themselves, however, by circulating these scandals, as they forfeit that respect which they should maintain. I have money, and must invest it. I never let my money lay idle. If I should only get two per cent. a year I would invest. I invested in United States stock during the war. Some people thought it patriotic. I did not, but it is an investment.

By Mr. McCrary—Never received anything from Mr. Neilson growing out of the Credit Mobilier transaction except the $10,000 which he advanced him.

Judge Poland requested Mr. Brooks to make an examination of his books and papers, which might throw more light on the transaction between him and Mr. Neilson.

Mr. Brooks replied that he would do so.

Mr. Brooks said it had been charged that the stock had been given to influence legislation, he therefore desired to call the attention of the Committee to the fact that on the 14th day of December, 1867, he made a speech against the bill changing the time for holding the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific Road.

By Mr. Smithers—Had borrowed the stock certificate from Mr. Neilson, to exhibit in the House.

ANOTHER STATEMENT FROM MR. PATTERSON.

Senator Patterson again appeared, voluntarily before the Committee, and submitted the following additional statement:

GENTLEMEN: A Committee of the Senate would have the right, and would be obligated, when there were sufficient grounds of suspicion, to investigate my conduct, and satisfy itself whether or not I had been improperly or corruptly influenced in my official conduct; but here I appear by courtesy, and without a request, to read my examination for the necessity of defending myself against an unjust suspicion of having been improperly influenced in my legislative action. This, as I understand it, is the legitimate and the only legitimate inquiry before your Committee. What property or how much property I may purchase is a private matter, not open to legislative investigation, unless the circumstances of that transaction indicate that I have been improperly influenced by it as a legislator. When last before you, I stated that on two occasions I bought stock and bonds in the Union Pacific Railroad. I should, with as little hesitation, have stated that I had bought stock in the Credit Mobilier, if I had understood that to be the fact; for I see no reason why a member of Congress might not with propriety own stock in either, or be compensated as readily with one as the other. A majority of the Directors of the road held stock in the Credit Mobilier from the first, and drawn their dividends upon it, whose integrity and official probity have never been questioned, though they have exercised their right to vote whenever the Pacific Railroad has been before them. They who purchased this stock after all legislation had passed, and whose votes and influence could not have been affected in a solitary instance, cannot be less innocent, and should have been saved the cruel humiliation of this public scandal. My object in coming before the Committee this morning is to state or explain, a little more fully than I did when first before you, a point on which I find I differ from Mr. Ames' present position.

In my statement of Wednesday I stated that I made two purchases of stock and bonds of Mr. Ames, and I read that statement to him before presenting it to the Committee. He said it was correct, except in a single point. I believed it correct in every point, and, therefore, gave it to the Committee. I will state his case, first, as to relation to the first purchase; we are agreed on the second. More than a year after I had been offered stock in the Credit Mobilier, having some money to invest, I placed it in the hands of Mr. Ames without a thought that this stock or the Credit Mobilier, representing it, was profitable, was in the market, and with the understanding, on my part certainly, that he was to secure for me stock or bonds in the Union Pacific Railroad, and dispose of this sum in such time and way as he could realize the most for them. On one occasion, I have no recollection of any other, he paid me some money, which I then and now believe came from the sale of stock or bonds which he had purchased and held for me. A day or two since, he came to my room and said he had again been called before the Committee, and showed me for the first time a memorandum in which he had credited me with thirty shares of stock in the Credit Mobilier and two dividends on the same. Supposing I was to receive stock or bonds, or their proceeds, and never having received anything else, I thought I had not what I paid for: but Mr. Ames, it seems, not wishing the matter to end from my ignorance of the mysteries of Pacific Railroad management had put me down for stock in the Credit Mobilier, and assigned me what I received as dividends on the same. So far as this investigation is concerned, it is a matter of indifference to me whether his understanding or mine is correct, for in either case it was simply an investment for profit, and had no connection in thought or act with legislation, but if he is right, somebody owes me a few thousand dollars, which, if they will have the goodness to cash, I shall find my venture more profitable than I had any reason to expect.

I have volunteered this statement, because if Mr. Ames is correct and I am wrong, it is due to myself that I, and not another, should make the correction. I still maintain, however, that my understanding of the transaction is the correct one, and I have reason to think that Mr. Ames at one time entertained the same view. I have two letters, gentlemen, which I had not thought to make public, but they seem to confirm my position. I am sure that Mr. Ames will justify me in making them a part of my statement. Before reading the letters let me give a word of explanation.

Near the close of the last session of Congress, a gentleman came to me and said that Hon. E. B. Rollins, who was a competitor for my place in the Senate, was reporting that I was an owner in this Credit Mobilier, and that he should use it against me in the canvass. Meeting Mr. Ames, I reported what I had heard. He wrote a letter to Mr. Rollins, in which he denied that I owned stock in that Company, and came over to the Senate and showed it to me. I said it was entirely satisfactory. On reaching Concord, I found that, among other false and malicious stories concocted to injure my public reputation, this was afloat. I denied, as I do today, that I ever owned any of the stock, but stated, as I have testified to you, that I had bought stock and bonds in this road. To confirm my statement, I telegraphed to Mr. Ames at his home to send me a copy of his letter to Mr. Rollins. My telegram reached him in Washington. Not hearing from him as quickly as desired, I wrote him, and at length received replies both by telegram and my letters, which, with your permission, I will now read as far as they relate to this subject:

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 9, 1872.

Hon. J. W. Patterson:

DEAR SIR: I have your telegram asking me to give you the substance of the letter I wrote Rollins. You saw the letter. I added nothing to it after you saw it, and it is the only letter I have written him. The substance of it was that I heard he was making charges against you, or representing you as holder or owner of stock in the Credit Mobilier and that there was wrong or improper influences in relation to it. I wrote him that I did not think you ever owned any of the stock, and if you had there was no more impropriety in it than owning bank stock.

Yours truly, OAKES AMES.

NORTH EASTON, June 12, 1872.

Hon. J. W. Patterson:

DEAR SIR: I wrote you from Washington in reply to your telegram. I have your letters of the 8th and 12th, the evening here on my arrival home from Washington. I stated in that letter the substance of my letter to Rollins. You saw this letter I wrote him and there was nothing in that but this truth; and that Mr. Rollins should say that the Credit Mobilier of America was a fraudulent concern, and that the men signed in it perpetrated a fraud on the country, community, or stockholders, is simply an untruth. The stockholders of that Company contained some of the best men of the country, and Mr. Rollins knows it—such names as John J. Cisco, Gen. Dix, Wm. H. Mackey, M. Dillon McCormick, James Brooks, and many others, of New-York; Gilbert D. Williams, Esq., Boston; Nathan Atkins, John Duff, Samuel Hooper, Oliver Ames, and myself, and many others. I am proud to say that I was a stockholder in it, and that there is and was nothing wrong in holding the stock any more than in owning bank or railroad stock, and Mr. Rollins should be ashamed to make such charges, as if you had been a stockholder and manager in this Company, which you were not. If Mr. Rollins can find nothing against you worse than being a stockholder in the Credit Mobilier, you must be the purest man in New-Hampshire, or, in the United States. Trusting that you will not suffer because you are accused of being a stockholder with me, and now receiving the profits, I am yours truly,

OAKES AMES.

I have only to add that I have never received any certificate of stock, or other evidence of ownership in the Credit Mobilier, and am not enough of a lawyer to know how I could draw dividends on what I did not own. With this explanation I am done with this examination. Of this outrage done to the fair fame of men who have lived without reproach for half a century, by driving them into the case of the public with a scourge of epithets which should be laid upon the lowest criminal with caution of the torture inflicted upon men sensitive of their good names, by subjecting them to legislative inquisition without sufficient reason, I may take occasion to speak elsewhere; but here I close, simply remarking if such things are to continue all decent men will leave public life as I do, with pleasure and not with regret.

In answer to questions of Mr. Niblack, Mr. Patterson testified that he did not borrow any money from ex-Mayor Emery, of this city, to purchase stock. He was then questioned by Mr. Ames, who asked him if he (Patterson) did not pay Ames $5,000 in January, 1868. The witness replied he did. Mr. Ames then stated he had returned to Mr. Patterson $2,223 and thirty shares in Union Pacific stock in February, and $1,800 in cash on the 19th of June.

Mr. Patterson replied he might have received the money, but he did not remember having got it.

Mr. Ames—The difference between Mr. Patterson and myself is that I say he purchased of me thirty shares of the stock in the Credit Mobilier, and received the dividends thereon. Mr. Patterson at first says he did not; if he now says he did purchase the stock there is no further difference, and my statement is correct.

Mr. Patterson said he had no recollection of ever having received any certificate for thirty shares of stock, and he did not believe he ever did.

Mr. Ames said it was his impression that he had delivered the stock certificate to Mr. Patterson. If he did not, then he had lost a certificate of thirty shares. Mr. Ames further stated that he received the Union Pacific bonds as dividends at eighty per cent., and sold them at ninety-seven, the proceeds of which he turned over to Mr. Patterson, after deducting certain interest. The $1,800 was a cash dividend, and paid to Mr. Patterson in money by witness.

Judge Poland then questioned Mr. Ames as to the letters he wrote to Mr. Patterson during the campaign, wherein he stated that Mr. Patterson did not hold the stock, and asked him if he thought the interpretation put upon these letters could be exactly in accordance with the gospel. [Laughter.]

Mr. Ames—Well, Mr. Patterson did not appear on the books as a stockholder. Mr. Patterson was anxious that I should write something to exonerate him, and I wrote those letters.

Mr. Niblack—Well, Mr. Ames, if you regarded the whole matter of holding stock as honorable, why did you attempt to cover up anything?

Mr. Ames—I never did cover up anything, unless it was by those letters. Mr. Patterson wanted me to write the letters, covering up certain points for him.

Mr. Niblack—I regard the mistakes of persons connected with this thing as very bad, and I regret of Mr. Ames why he assisted them in sruiking.

Mr. Ames—Because I am kind-hearted, and wanted to help everybody. [Laughter.]

Mr. McComb was then questioned in regard to the quarrel among the Directors in New-York, and said it was the result of a general mistrust of each other, because Mr. Alley wanted to have the time of election, &c., changed. He was then questioned in regard to the Washburn move in Congress. He said he could not explain it, but Mr. Ames explained it to be an effort on the part of Mr. C. C. Washburn to fix the price for freight, which Mr. Ames did not desire to do so. Mr. Ames denied that he had ever written a letter to Mr. McComb about Colfax. He never had an idea that Colfax could be influenced as Speaker. Mr. McComb said he would look among his letters, and if he had such, would produce them before the close of the investigation.

Mr. Brooks here produced his check-book, which he had just received from New-York by express, and exhibited to the Committee that no checks had been given on account of Credit Mobilier for $10,000, $7,000, or $5,226, and said he should take to prove that he had not drawn checks for the amounts charged.

At 4 o'clock the Committee adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

THE SEVENTH WARD MURDER.

Lockwood's Ante-Mortem Statement—Macgruder Confined in the Tombs.

The brutal murder of Charles Johnston Lockwood by Marshal McGruder, in No. 154 Madison-street, on Monday evening, formed the principal topic of conversation in the City yesterday. Coroner Herrman proceeded to Bellevue Hospital yesterday and took Lockwood's ante-mortem statement, as follows:

My name is Clarence Johnston Lockwood. On Saturday night I left my home to visit ladies and gentlemen in the house where I boarded, No. 154 Madison-street. I, as well as others, drank considerable. About 3 o'clock in the morning I took a few invited ladies home to their house, No. 130 Grand-street, then went back to my boarding-house. At 7 o'clock in the morning I met several of the party in the parlor, and I went to Miss Brown, a young lady with whom I was a mistaken admirer, some time ago. I told her that she should not be angry with me any more, for I wished by-gones to be passed, and wanted to be friends with everybody. While I was speaking to her, Marshal Macgruder, who was sitting near her, said: "You have no right to speak to her while I am present," and pushed me back. As he did so, I slapped him on the face. He said, "I'll shoot you like a d—n dog," and left the house. I went then went to my room, and slept until Sunday afternoon. On Monday I went to my work, as printer in the *Chipper* building, in Centre-street. I did not come to work, and on Tuesday I went to work, printing in the printing-house at 3 o'clock and lay down for a couple of hours. On Monday evening Marshal Macgruder came into my room and said, "Lockwood, I told you you would shoot you like a d—n dog, and there you are, and now, you I'm going to do so." So saying, he shot at my face, as I thought, and missed. I stepped toward him when he fired again. The blind flash burned my forehead, but was unconscious. I think I fell. When I regained consciousness Macgruder said, "——you, I told you I would shoot you like a dog, and I am glad I have done it." He said in presence of several parties. I have no pistol or any other weapon about me at the time, and have not had one since I came to this City, to which I came about a year ago, from Spartenburg, S. C. I never had any trouble previously with Macgruder, and I rather liked him.

The jury found a verdict against Macgruder, and Coroner Herrman committed him to the Tombs. He was taken to the City Prison by Capt. Mount and Detective Jarboe, of the Central Detective Bureau. While in the street car, he informed Capt. Mount that he was a nephew of the Confederate Gen. Macgruder, and was a Virginian by birth. Miss Annie Brown, Jacob Madison, and Washington Smith, the witnesses detained by Capt. Mount, were discharged by Coroner Herrman, as they could readily be produced when the inquest is held. Lockwood is bleeding internally, and the resident physician at Bellevue Hospital is of the opinion that he cannot live until noon today.

The Coal Combination—New Developments.

The proposed coal combination continues the subject of general conversation.

The schedule of prices for the February market has been fixed upon by nearly all the large concerns. The rates of the Wilkesbarre Coal and Iron Company—which is favorable to the Philadelphia and Reading Company's scheme—show but a slight increase. The following is a comparative table:

	January.	February.
Lump	$4 00	$4 50
Steamboat	4 20	4 75
Broken	4 40	4 45
Egg	4 50	4 70
Stove	5 00	5 15
Chestnut	4 90	4 95

This is the price asked per cargo at Port Johnson and Hoboken, shipping points for the New-York market.

The Pennsylvania Coal Company, which has not as yet agreed to enter into the combination, will ask its Pittsburg coal at the same price, per ton, charged in January.

Better rates, it is believed, will be obtained this year than last; but if they are increased in the ratio begun by the "bulls" in the market, coal will be much higher next Winter than ever before. The large companies have already begun to "use up" the retailers, and the ultimate object of the combination is to obtain the control of both the wholesale and retail trade. Whether, when a monopoly of this kind is once established, the retail consumer will not be forced to pay as much, if not more, for his coal than at present will depend upon the monopoly. He will be completely at its mercy, and will have no appeal, as at present, to opposition dealers or companies. The officers of the companies favoring the movement make no secret of their intention to influence the market price of coal by allowing it to accumulate at the mines until a good demand is created. It was reported yesterday that $25,000,000 had been advanced to the Philadelphia and Reading Company by English capitalists, and that the money was being used in the present movement by that Company.

A coal merchant yesterday said that he would sooner see the great carrying companies at present engaged in getting up a coal "pool," turning their attention to some better and more complete system for transporting coal to market.

There were many things they might do which would improve the facilities and do away with the irregularities incident to the trade. Some of the railroads bringing coal to the market have their present facilities taxed to the utmost. This, the merchant thought, was pre-eminently the work of the coal-transportation companies, and they should leave the producers to themselves to work out the problem of getting what is called "fair living rates."

A New Bremen Steamer.

The new Bremen steamer Moselle arrived at her dock in Hoboken, yesterday. She brought out 186 passengers. The Moselle is 378 feet keel, 42 feet beam, and of 2,778 tons register. She was built in Greenock, Scotland. She experienced very rough weather. Her engines are of 700 horse power. Capt. G. Ernst, one of the oldest officers of the line, is in command.

TWEED'S TRIAL.

Continued Examination of Andrew J. Garvey—How His Bills Were Made Out—Adjournment Until Thursday.

The trial of William M. Tweed was resumed in the Court of Over and Terminer, yesterday, before Judge Davis, and the cross-examination of Andrew J. Garvey was continued. He said:

I have not in my possession any letters or documents from the counsel representing the people.

Q.—Now, if there was a course of crime to be gone through to obtain payment, you need not have worked for the County? A.—Oh, there is where I did wrong; human nature is such, you know, [a laugh,] and they were always in my debt.

Q.—Do you remember having a conversation with Mr. Hall, in the presence of Mr. Tyler, and did you say your claims were just? A.—What else would I say; what would you have me say? [laughter;] I said that for effect, and I was not going to say anything to disgrace Mayor Hall. [Laughter.]

Q.—You never said to Mr. Hall that there was anything improper in your claims? A.—Would you have me to say that there was? [Continued laughter.] I did not tell him my claims were unjust; all the bills, thirty-seven in number, which were the basis of these warrants, were partially correct.

Q.—What was the lowest proportion of any of those bills that was true? A.—Out of the $625,000 I should say $240,000, which I get; there were none of the bills entirely true; there was no proportion of any of them true—of any of them.

Mr. Graham expressed his inability to understand the witness, and asked, What proportion or percentage of any of these bills was entirely untrue? A.—There was no proportion of them entirely untrue. [Laughter.] A Counsel—(sotto voce)—That is clear as mud.

Q.—How much of this bill for $45,097 06 was correct? A.—I don't know; I can't say if $10,000 was just; it would be impossible for me to tell the amount; my bills were made out according to Mr. Watson's direction from memorandums; sometimes the memorandums were brought to me by Ingersoll, and sometimes I took them down myself; these memorandums are all torn up; sometimes got the warrant the day I made up my bill; I did not look at the warrant to see if it corresponded with the bill.

Q.—Will you undertake to say you saw Mr. Tweed's name on each of the bills you rendered? A.—No, but I saw it on some. I don't know or how many of them.

Q.—What did you see? A.—William M. Tweed across the face of it. I saw his name also on the certificate of credit.

Q.—Did you assume it to be his handwriting? A.—Yes; I assumed it to be such.

Q.—And there was nothing specially to call your attention to and examine it? A.—That was so.

Q.—In the bills you rendered you put in for a certain number of days' work due, and you enlarged it? A.—Yes, Sir; there was a portion of them always was.

Q.—When you were signing the certificate you were obliged to sign, before receiving your warrant from Mr. Watson, in the Supervisors' Chamber or the bank, did you examine the bills particularly enough to be sure that in every instance it was the identical bill you had rendered? A.—No, I did not; I took it for granted it was all right; I knew my writing; it was very peculiar.

Q.—But did you examine the bills at all? A.—No, Sir.

Q.—The items were truthful items, and the fidelity was in running them out? A.—That is it, precisely; I don't know how much was due to me when I commenced making out these bills; I can't tell how much I claimed for work done.

Q.—How much of the $110,000, or $70,000, or $75,000 items was for work actually done? A.—That I can't tell.

Q.—Was there any compulsion to make you enter the item of $5,000 in the $395,000 to cover election expenses? A.—No, Sir; I did that on my own hook, because I was under great expense. I deposited the fourteen checks which covered the sixty-five per cent. stopped off my bills payable to my own order, by Woodward's directions. I had no personal moneys of my own for so acting. Ingersoll said at that there was money in the package sent to Albany to Mr. Tweed by John Garvey. There were instances in 1867, 1868, and 1869 when I did not testify to the correctness of the bills rendered against the County. I don't recollect how many bills I rendered in 1867. There were over forty, I think.

Q.—Were there as many as half a dozen of these which you did not verify?

The Court remarked it did not see the relevancy of this line of examination.

Mr. Graham—He says there were bills which he did not verify, and I am given to understand there is not a single bill which he did not verify that year, unless the signature of the notary is a forgery.

Q.—Did you render to the County bills as the bases of those warrants on which they purport to have been issued?

Mr. Tremain objected to the question as inadmissible.

Mr. Graham said the question was asked with a view to show in part that, instead of his being compelled to peculate from the City Treasury for the benefit of others, for the purpose of securing his own rights, the witness was actually engaged in an independent enterprise, by means of shifts of this description, in peculating for his own benefit. This was also to the motive of the witness, for he had not only his own misdeeds to cover up and secure immunity for, so far as his connection with the Board of Audit was concerned, but he was engaged in an independent course of operations prior to that time, from the consequences of which he is also to protect himself.

Mr. Tremain said he would withdraw his objection if Mr. Graham would consent to go into the whole history of the warrants, and allow them to show that Tweed received twenty-four per cent. of the money.

Mr. Graham declined to consent to anything, [laughter,] and claimed that his offer was a purely legal and proper one. He merely wanted to show that this man was engaged in an independent course of criminality, without the participation of Mr. Tweed; for he could reasonably presume, from the evidence of this man, that he was ready to testify to anything to secure the ends he had in view. What justification was it for the witness that he was willing to do anything Tweed wished him to? His guilt was clearly established, and these circumstances should be received as disparaging the credibility of the witness.

The Court permitted the question, but without consenting to allow counsel to go into the question of forgery concerning the indorsements of the warrants, and asserting that he would give the witness the privilege of explanation.

Mr. Graham withdrew the question, under the ruling of the Court, and took examination to it.

Q.—In reference to this warrant for $60,000, which you speak of, did Mr. Tweed do anything more than take a piece of paper out of his desk and request you to sign your name to it? A.—Yes, Sir; with the face downward; it might have been altogether a piece of blank paper, so far as I know; the impression Tweed used on the occasion was: "Ludorse that;" and I did not ask to see it; I don't think Mr. Tweed expected me to come to see him that day, and I am inclined to think my visit took him by surprise; the taking of the paper out of the drawer, and my indorsement of it were all done in an instant; I have an impression that I received my bill there.

Q.—Did you, when you commenced your suits against Tweed, consider the $60,000 canceled? A.—I did, Sir; I don't care now whether I am permitted to retain it or not.

Q.—Have you returned the $5,000 you got from the County for election expenses? A.—I gave it to Ingersoll, and Ingersoll gave it to Tweed; I have not returned the money I got for work on Walter Roome's house, nor the two sums of $50,000 and $60,000, which I gave to Tweed, and subsequently obtained from the City; I am not very much afraid when I heard the Committee of the Senate was coming from Albany; I was more anxious about Tweed than for myself. [Laughter.]

Mr. Graham—You have got bravely over that now.

Witness—Tweed said the Committee should be bought, and shortly after I had to put up for it; my anxiety was altogether allayed by what Tweed told me during our conversation.

This concluded Mr. Graham's cross-examination.

In reply to Mr. Peckham, the witness said: When I had the interview with Mr. O'Connor, I understood he was acting for the people; since my examination, yesterday, I have made a more careful estimate of the property I possessed in 1867 and 1868, and I find I was worth over $200,000, besides having a very fine business; when I went to Europe in 1871 I was worth over $500,000; from 1868 to 1871 I did work for other parties besides the City; the rise in real estate considerably increased my financial condition.

Q.—Had you anything to do with putting the amounts for work done in Mr. Tweed's house in Greenwich into your claims? A.—I had not.

Q.—Look at those papers [Exhibits A and B] and say if you got the moneys referred to in them? A.—Not a cent; I never received the moneys referred to in Exhibits C, D, F, G. [These exhibits were checks for various amounts, which have been frequently produced on the trial.] All City checks, except a few small ones, were deposited either in the Broadway Bank, the Bowery Bank, or the East River Bank. At this point of the redirect examination the Court rose.

On motion it was resolved to adjourn over to today in consequence of the illness of Mr. Tremain.

A SHIPPING EXCHANGE.

Meeting of Shipping Merchants—Preliminary Steps to Establish an Exchange.

A number of gentlemen engaged in the shipping business met yesterday for the purpose of organizing a shipping "Exchange." Great inconvenience, and even loss, has been sustained by merchants engaged in the trade, because of the want of an "Exchange" with proper facilities for the transaction of business. Messrs. Thos. P. Ball, Edward N. Norton, and H. P. Booth constituted themselves a committee and opened subscription lists and issued a call for the meeting, which took place yesterday. Mr. Ball was chosen temporary Chairman and Mr. Norvell was appointed the following paper prepared by the Committee:

It has long been a matter of surprise to those persons interested in freight and vessels who hereto-fore have and are now transacting their daily business at the junction of Beaver, William, and South William-streets, that some more convenient and immediate neighborhood could not be rented in which to transact their business, to make no mention of the acknowledged necessity of some where health and personal comfort is studied in. With that end in view, three subscription-lists (each of the undersigned having one) were circulated on Jan. 4. On Jan. 16 sufficient subscribers had been obtained, before our call, to guarantee the success of the undertaking. The extreme popularity of the movement expressed by the large number of subscribers was unlooked for. The ultimate success of the undertaking is, without doubt, sometimes evidence of the fact being established when 140 subscribers are secured inside of two weeks—say from Jan. 4 to Jan. 16—representing at least three-quarters of the most prominent and respectable firms in the business would seem to amply prove. We have therefore secured the written refusal of Klunzen's dining-room, fronting on William-street, near Beaver, at a rent of $2,500 per annum, commencing May 1, 1873, agreeing to put a passage in a door on William-street and close up permanently the entrance communicating with the lunch-room, also to leave oil-cloth on the floor. Considerable comment has been indulged in as to what name our association should be called by. The undersigned have informed the subscribers that that question would be settled at our meeting for organization. It would not, however, be out of place to say to the members present that we have been recommended all firms to sign, who are interested in freight and vessels, as follows: Merchants, ship and freight brokers, shipping and commission merchants, shipbuilders, &c., &c. We would further say that, to cover the above interests, we have informed the subscribers that it was the intention to have a suitable room on the first or ground floor; that said room was to be located in the immediate vicinity of before-named junction, and that the amount of subscription, $25, was for the annual dues. We would suggest that a President and Secretary be elected at the meeting, the President to assume the duties of Treasurer. Also, that there be appointed a committe of three, with power to rent a suitable room, and secure a person to take charge of the same, and see that only "Exchange" men are admitted. We would also suggest that the room be kept open all day, and that a specified time in the morning, say 11 to 11½ o'clock, as well as a specified time in the afternoon, say 3 to 3½ o'clock, be decided upon as the time the members would make it more particularly to their interest to be present. The object in so suggesting being that business might not be opened at the hours known as "Change," and consummated by the afternoon "Change" hour. Any further information that may be required by the Committee or Committees to be appointed at this meeting may be had on application to either of the undersigned.

Thos. P. Ball, of Evans, Ball & Co.; Ed. N. Norton, of John Norton, Jr., & Son; H. P. Booth.

After the reading of the paper, a vote was taken, *viva voce*, by which Mr. Thomas P. Ball was elected Permanent President of the organization. Mr. Ball vigorously protested, but his protest was overruled by the meeting. Mr. Norvell was unanimously elected Secretary. The Chairman then appointed a Committee on Organization, and a committee to procure rooms suitable for the "Exchange." The Committee on Permanent Organization is composed as follows:

Messrs. F. T. Philips, Hiram Bener, William Van Brunt, Marcus Hunter, D. B. Dearborn, and Gustavus A. Brett. Committee on Rooms—Messrs. D. B. Dearborn, B. Wright, and E. N. Norton.

After the appointment of the Committees, the meeting adjourned to meet at the same place on Friday next at 3½ P. M. The name of the organization is to be decided upon at the next meeting. Mr. Brett announced before the adjournment that he had received a telegraphic dispatch from Albany a few minutes before the meeting, informing him that it would be necessary for the gentlemen who had interested themselves in the nomination of Jos. W. Richardson, Wm. B. Ostrom, and Samuel Duncan for the position of Harbor-Masters, to communicate whatever they had to say finally about the matter by yesterday evening's mail to Albany. Mr. Brett had, therefore, prepared a petition to the Governor, which he asked the gentlemen present to sign. Another petition to the Governor, prepared by Mr. Brett, asking for the retention of Dr. Bell on the Quarantine Commission, if the Commission was not abolished, was placed on the table for signatures.

The International Art Exhibition.

The Council of the National Academy of Design have, we think, done a wise thing in opening their doors to the works of English artists on an equal footing with our own. The result must be satisfactory to the former, and tend to develop the taste for water-color paintings in this country. The Exhibition, which will be opened early in February next, will differ from anything yet seen in America, as it is, we believe, the first inst

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Jan. 21.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

200	West. Union	71¼	60	Pacific Mail	71¾
200	do.	71¾	100	do.	71¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do.	71¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do.	71¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do.	71¾
100	do.	71¾	1000	Erie Railroad	61¾
100	Harlem Railroad	125	500	do.	61¾
100	do.	125	200	do.	61¾
100	Tol. & Wabash	72¾	300	do.	61¾
100	do.	72¾	100	do.	61¾
100	do.	72¾	100	do.	61¾
100	do.	72¾	200	do.	c. 61¾
200	N. Y. C. & Hud.	104¾	200	do.	b3. 62
100	do.	c. 104¾	100	L. S. & M. S.	b3. 93
100	do.	b5. 104¾	100	do.	c. 93¾
100	do.	104¾	100	do.	b3. 93¾
100	Rock Island	111¾	60	do.	93¾
100	do.	111¾	175	do.	93¾
100	do.	111¾	100	do.	93¾
100	C., R. I. & P.	93¾	100	do.	93¾
100	do.	93¾	100	do.	93¾
100	do.	93¾	100	do.	93¾
100	Pacific Mail	71¾	100	do.	93¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do.	93¾
100	do.	71¾	100	Ohio & Miss.	43¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do.	43¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do.	43¾
100	do.	71¾	100	do

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NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29, 1873.

Amusements This Evening.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—BRUTUS; OR, THE FALL OF TARQUIN—Mr. Edwin Booth.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—THE CATARACT OF THE GANGES—Mrs. John Wood, Mr. John Brougham.

NEW FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—ALIXE—Mr. Charles Fisher, Miss Clara Morris.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—ATHERLEY COURT—Mr. D. H. Harkins, Mrs. Clara Jennings.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—BROTHER SAM—Mr. E. Sothern, Mr. John Gilbert, Miss Effie Germon.

BOWERY THEATRE.—TWELVE TEMPTATIONS—Mr. J. B. Studley and Company.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—ALHAMBRA—Miss Pauline Markham, Miss Rawlinson, Mr. Neil Warner. Matinée at 2.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—LEG AND LOVES—Mr. M. W. Fiske, Mr. Ledingwell, Miss Sinni.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AND CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and evening.

ST. JAMES THEATRE.—SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS—Birch, Wambold, Backus and others.

BRYANT'S OPERA HOUSE.—ETHIOPIAN MINSTRELSY—Dan Bryant, Saymour, Reed.

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Mr. JAMES BROOKS yesterday appeared before the Poland Investigating Committee, and made a long statement with reference to his connection with the Union Pacific Railroad and the Credit Mobilier. Arranged chronologically, the facts, according to Mr. BROOKS, are as follows: From April 6, 1866, to March 4, 1867, Mr. BROOKS was "not in Congress," and devoted all his energies to advancing the interests of the Union Pacific Railroad; in 1867 he re-entered Congress, and on the 3d of October was appointed Government Director, which position he declined on account of discord in the Board, until March 28, 1868, when he filed his oath of office. At this time he had an arrangement with Mr. DURANT, in consideration of his previous activity in railroad matters, which entitled him to two hundred shares of the stock of the Credit Mobilier at par, but which was then worth something like 200. Believing that, "as a Government Director, he could not and would not exercise his right" in regard to this stock, he transferred it to his son-in-law, C. H. NEILSON, and lent him the money to pay for the stock. NEILSON did not receive the two hundred shares, but did receive one hundred shares, and certain bonds and stock of the Union Pacific besides, being nearly an equivalent. Mr. BROOKS then claimed the right for NEILSON to purchase fifty shares additional, which NEILSON did. Mr. BROOKS swears that he did not receive "one cent of profit from the transaction." This showing of Mr. BROOKS cannot be properly estimated unless we keep in mind what the Credit Mobilier was, viz.: a contrivance to enable the managers of the Union Pacific Road to draw indirectly from the Government enormous amounts over and above the cost of the road, which they could not obtain directly. As far as the Government is concerned, the Credit Mobilier bears the appearance of being a very discreditable scheme, and for a Government Director to dabble in it, and "let in" a near connection for a large amount, is something not consistent with old-fashioned ideas of the morals required of men in places of great trust.

The State Senate has acquitted Judge CURTIS on all the charges preferred against him. We assume, therefore, that the Senate does not believe that the evidence submitted by the prosecution proved that Judge CURTIS was a member of a legal firm who practiced in his own Court, before him, while occupying the bench. We assume, further, that the Senate acquits Judge CURTIS of having received any part of the fees paid for such practice. On both these points the public and the legal profession are alike agreed in the belief that the evidence was sufficient to procure conviction, and that, in fact, no attempt was made to controvert such evidence. The Senate may be able to give some reasons for differing from the general verdict on this case. Meanwhile, it appears as if the work of judicial reform had sustained a severe check. The Senate has done the major portion of this work of dealing with the corrupt Judges so well, that it is greatly to be regretted that it should be open to the charge of having halted, hesitated, and blundered at the close.

A mercantile firm succeeded, yesterday, in getting a final verdict on a litigation of ten years' standing. Probably the firm could afford to wait for the twenty thousand dollars which were in dispute. It would be interesting to know, however, how many poor litigants there are in this City, whose hearts have grown sick and their pockets empty, during long years of postponed suits of an antiquity only less respectable than the one in question. As some of our correspondents recently showed, two and three years are average periods of duration for cases in various courts of this City. This is a subject to which the Bar Association cannot too soon give their attention. A very instructive exhibit would be afforded by a table of the delayed causes in our local Courts of record. *Jarndyce* vs. *Jarndyce* was only a leaf out of the actual history of the English Court of Chancery. The judicial records of New-York could be made to yield almost equally shameful instances of the law's delay.

Those persons whose literary tastes lead them to delight in perusing accounts of "horrid murders," need not fear that the supply of their favorite food will run short. The new year has, indeed, opened brilliantly. Rather more than the average number of mutilated corpses have been found in the rivers. The other evening, a man was discovered in Jersey City, dying from a wound. On Monday, a compositor shot a fellow-lodger in this City, because the latter had ventured to address a few civil words to a young lady, with whom the compositor seems to have been in love. Hence we may see the danger of falling in love with young ladies, for, of course, the subsequent act of shooting was quite right and proper. Yesterday, a man chanced to have a quarrel with a dray-man, and struck him with a whip. Upon this, the drayman used his proud privileges as a freeman, and shot his assailant dead. These are all the murders we have heard of up to the hour of 2 A. M., but, perhaps, before going to press we may get a few additions to the pleasing list. In the meanwhile, FOSTER, the car-hook murderer, is to be re-sentenced, and perhaps a few of us will live to see the law turned into something else than a laughing-stock.

The House Committee on Banks has agreed to recommend the repeal of the restrictions on the rate of interest legally chargeable by the national banks. We believe such a repeal would act strongly in favor of the borrower. At present, it is next to impossible to conduct the business of banking profitably on seven per cent. interest, and it is always perfectly possible in the large cities, by a slight subterfuge, to get more. The result is, that money is drawn to the speculative centres, where from twelve per cent. to forty per cent. can be had for it; the legitimate business of the country—especially the agricultural and manufacturing portion, in which notes and mortgages are the principal available securities, and which cannot get money at legal rates and cannot readily evade the law—finds great difficulty in getting money at all. On the other hand, the money massed in the great cities constantly stimulates extravagant speculation, and this, in turn, makes values variable and business unsafe. The opinion is gaining ground that, after the note-holders are adequately secured, the more free banking we have, the better for the country.

To the numerous States which yesterday carried out previous caucus arrangements in the election of United States Senators, Georgia affords an exception. In that State exceeding votes have made the old secessionists bold, and the ex-rebel General JOHN B. GORDON, and the ex-rebel Vice-President, ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS, are contending for the Senatorial prize.

In the Circuit Court at Albany, yesterday, Miss SUSAN B. ANTHONY made one more step toward the consummation of her hopes—a final decision on the right to vote under the recent amendments to the Constitution. Miss ANTHONY is not in the remotest degree likely to gain her case, nor, if it were ever so desirable that women should vote, would hers be a good case. When so important a change in our Constitution as she proposes is made, it will be done openly and unmistakably, and not be left to the subtle interpretation of a clause adopted for a wholly different purpose.

It is now denied that the Russian envoy failed in his mission to secure the co-operation of Great Britain in the Russian designs upon Central Asia. The denial is a good deal more improbable than the original statement. On the one hand, it is certain that the British Government is not prepared to offer either resistance or protest against the Russian conquest of the Khanate of Khiva. It did not require a special diplomatic agent to discover that fact. On the other hand, the Government would be acting equally in defiance of the opinion of the British people, and of their compatriots in India, did it give any kind of guarantee that the Russian conquests would either be recognized or actively co-operated in. All that the British Cabinet could well afford to do, would be to indicate the limit up to which their policy of non-interference could be maintained. If the Cable telegram rests on any basis of truth, this will probably be found to be its true reading.

Electing a President.

It is curious, considering how many contingencies there are unprovided for in the present method of choosing a President, that confusion has not often arisen. The method is extremely complicated. It was a compromise in the first place, and as it has in part been changed from its original purpose, there is hardly a step at which a miscarriage might not take place. The process at present is briefly this: The several States provide for the selection of electors; as a matter of fact they are now chosen by popular election; these electors meet on the same day in the several States, and cast their votes for a President and Vice-President, and a statement of their votes is sent to Washington directed to the President of the Senate. On a fixed day, the Senate and the House, having each appointed its own tellers, meet in the chamber of the House; the President of the Senate produces the statements of votes, and opens them in the presence of the two Houses; and, the tellers having counted them, the President of the Senate announces the result. If any objection is made to the reception of the vote of any State by a member of either House, then, under a rule of procedure, called the twenty-second joint rule, adopted in 1865, the Senate withdraws to its own chamber; each House considers the objection and passes upon it without debate; the two houses meet again; if the objection is disunited by both Houses, the vote is accepted; if the objection is approved by either House the vote must be rejected, and the result declared without counting it. If, on declaring the result, it is found that no candidate for President has a majority of all the electoral votes, the House of Representatives proceeds to choose one of the three having the highest number of votes, but in so choosing the votes must be taken by States, and the representatives of each State have one vote. A quorum for this purpose consists of a member or members from each of two-thirds of the States, and a majority of the States is necessary to a choice.

It is easy to see how many things may go amiss in this long and much-divided process. The electors in one or more States may fail to meet on the same day; there may be more than one set of electors claiming to cast the vote of a State; the President of the Senate may refuse to open any particular State vote, on real or assumed conviction of its fraudulent nature; a factious objection on the part of a majority in one House may throw out the vote of a large State, and elect a President not really chosen by the Electoral College; or, if the election goes to the House of Representatives, it may be impossible to obtain a majority of all the States for any candidate.

These are instances of possible failures in the operation of the present method. The list of instances of actual and possible inequality and injustice is quite as long. It is only recently that the Presidential electors have been everywhere chosen by a popular vote. The old system may be resumed at any moment, and if it should be, we might have the incongruous spectacle of a small majority in a State Legislature holding in their control the electoral vote, not only of the State, but of the country, without reference to the wishes of the people. Again, the electors, where chosen by a popular vote, are voted for on one ticket all over each State. So a majority of one hundred in New-York might overcome a majority of tens of thousands in a number of the smaller States; and a President may be chosen by a majority of the Electoral College who is the choice of only a minority of the people. This was the case in the election of Mr. LINCOLN in 1860, and it is not to be denied that that fact was used, however unscrupulously, with great effect in arousing a genuine feeling of wrong and indignation among the Southern people. We have already alluded to the possibility of injustice being wrought, and party purposes being served, under the forms of the law, by the President of the Senate, or by a small majority in either House. In case the election is thrown into the House of Representatives, the chances of a President being chosen who does not enjoy the confidence of a majority of the people, or who, in point of fact, has the approval only of a very small minority, are very much increased. On this point, Mr. MORTON, in his very able speech in the Senate, on the 17th of January, showed that with an election in the House of Representatives, nineteen States, being a majority of the States, may, through forty-five Representatives, elect a President against the wishes of the 247 remaining members. These nineteen States may have a population of only a little more than eight millions, while the remainder of the States may have a population of thirty millions, according to the census of 1870. It is true that so extreme a case will, in all probability, never happen; but a case may very easily happen not one-half so extreme, and yet fraught with great injustice and danger. As a matter of fact, in 1825, as pointed out by Senator MORTON, Mr. ADAMS was elected by the House over Gen. JACKSON, who, though he did not have a majority of the Electoral College, had a larger proportional majority of the popular vote than any President elected since that time.

On motion of Mr. MORTON, this whole subject has been referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections of the Senate. It will receive no action in the short period remaining in this session, but it ought not to be allowed to sink out of notice.

The Samana Bay Enterprise.

The future of the Samana Bay Company depends upon the result of the commercial speculation which it has undertaken. If it should fail through mismanagement, or if the present expectations of it originators, as to the amount and profit of the trade which it may create or control, should prove fallacious, the Samana Bay enterprise will be speedily forgotten, except by the share-holders who may suffer from its failure. If, on the other hand, the success of the Company as a trading corporation should prove as great as its most sanguine supporters now dream that it may, it will lead to political results of great moment, especially to the inhabitants of the Island of San Domingo.

The consequences which would follow the success of the Company's speculation can easily be foreseen. The immediate result would be the building up of a flourishing colony of Americans at Samana Bay. Next would come the construction of lines of railway and telegraph through all parts of the Dominican territory. By the provisions of the treaty, the Company is to receive large grants of public lands from the Dominican Government in aid of these improvements, and will, moreover, retain the sole ownership of the railways and telegraphs so constructed. Thus the Company will not only gain absolute control of a large part of the Dominican territory, but its railways radiating from Samana Bay will give to it a monopoly of the trade of the black republic.

While the wealth and influence of the Samana Bay Company is thus increasing in precisely the way contemplated by both parties to the treaty, there will be a constant tendency on the part of the native population to take up its residence within the Company's possessions. Not only will Samana Bay, as the virtual metropolis of Dominica, attract the rural population, but it is impossible that the contrast between the semi-civilization of native Dominican towns, and the thrift and enterprise of Samana Bay, should not be perceived by all intelligent Dominicans. It may safely be assumed that the Company will rule over its possessions with vastly more wisdom than is shown by the rapacious native rulers. The subjects of the latter will prefer the order and the security from "forced loans" which Samana Bay will afford, to the incompetence and extortion to which they have heretofore been accustomed. Thus the Dominican Republic will grow weak precisely in proportion as the Samana Bay Company grows rich and powerful. It needs no prophet to predict that the commercial success of the Company will ultimately result in its peaceful absorption of the population and government of Dominica.

But it by no means follows that annexation to the United States will be desired by those in control of the Company. If the latter becomes an independent power, and so conducts its affairs as to preserve, with light taxation, an annual surplus in its treasury, it is extremely doubtful whether annexation will be so much as thought of. It is true that the treaty asserts that the Samana Bay Company shall be under the joint protection of the Dominican Republic and the United States. The latter has assumed no such protectorate, but, even without that formality, it is probable that our Government would maintain the independence of the Dominican Republic, should the latter become synonymous with the Samana Bay Company, against outside aggression. A trading community, however, would not be likely to become involved in a foreign war, and if annexation should depend solely upon the Dominican desire for protection, its date will probably be extremely remote.

We may, therefore, assume that the Samana Bay enterprise involves no project of annexation. It is to be regarded purely as a commercial enterprise. The probable political results of its success we have ventured to indicate. They, however, concern chiefly the Company and the Dominican Republic. That the success of the Company would be the gain, not only of the stockholders and of the Dominicans, but of the whole commercial world, is hardly doubtful. We may, therefore, congratulate President BAEZ upon having carried out a wise measure in negotiating a treaty with American merchants.

A Great Project.

The scheme of a trans-Alleghany waterway, so long projected, is at last fully before Congress and the country in a practical shape. The proposition to open a direct outlet for Western produce to the seaboard was urged by Mr. JEFFERSON more than half a century ago, and has been always recognized by American statesmen as the only solution of the difficult problem of intercontinental trade in a country as immense as the United States. As a measure of national economy, the construction of a canal across the back of the Alleghanies, attended, as it must be, with considerable expense, and with many engineering difficulties, is the only method which the topography of the country permits of saving from wasteful consumption the vast magazines of Western grain, and of transporting them to the Eastern markets.

Mr. JEFFERSON argued, in 1780, that, while the lake communications with the Eastern cities are closed by ice in the Fall and Winter, the channels to the Chesapeake Bay lead to a warmer climate and rarely freeze at all, and when they do, "the floods to which they are liable break up the ice immediately, so that vessels may pass through them all the Winter." We have had this year a verification of this reasoning, as evincing the necessity for Winter transportation of all kinds of Western produce, at a critical period, when the Northern canals have been ice-locked, and even the railroads have been subjected to the most serious snow-blockades.

But the old statesman had but the faintest idea of the near commercial future of his country, or of the rapid and enormous development of the West and the Mississippi Valley. These vast districts now demand cheap and safe transportation for the products of their prolific soil. In the midst of the most magnificent agricultural domain in the temperate zone, with a soil almost virgin, swept by the rain-laden winds from the Gulf of Mexico, the twenty millions who inhabit the entourage of the Mississippi and Ohio Valleys have long since reached the point where their surplus production rots in their bursting granaries, for want of cheap carriage,—and this, too, when the markets of the seaboard States, and of the great foreign centres, are unable to supply the growing demand. Never in our financial history could we so ill afford to lose the immense national profits that would accrue, if the harvest of the West, instead of being used as little better than fuel, could be profitably and economically disposed of, and the industrious agriculturist encouraged. That such provision as will insure this is the part of the highest sagacity, and is commended by every consideration of policy, could be easily established (as has been often done) by the commercial statistics of the country. When the cost of railway transportation necessarily eats up all the profits of the Western farmer, who sends his wheat by the cheapest existing routes to New-York, figures are hardly necessary. The Chicago *Inter-Ocean*, one of the ablest and most accurate exponents of the Western trade, in recently commenting on the fact that the farmer must pay thirty cents a bushel to get his wheat to market, reaches the startling conclusion that farming in the very centre of the agricultural interior does not pay. And it assigns, as a reason, the present expense of transportation, which, the most inexperienced calculator must see, leaves no margin of remuneration to the producer. During the long and stormy Winter of the lakes, and the five months in which our present canals are sealed with ice, and the railroads command but very irregular carriage for heavy freights, the shipments along the Ohio and Mississippi must make the detour of thousands of miles to reach New-York and Liverpool, by descending the "Father of Waters," and going through the Gulf of Mexico.

The feasibility of constructing a Trans-Alleghany canal has been over and over again tested and demonstrated by Government engineers. The actual cost of construction, originally great, has been vastly reduced by Virginia's surrender of her completed James River water-line, (which already extends over half the distance to be covered,) now in operation from the Chesapeake Bay almost to the Alleghany summit. With an outlay, in four or five annual installments, of six million dollars, the entire work would be insured, and the mighty volume of Western transportation, now dammed up in the Mississippi Valley, would find an outlet by the Ohio and Kanawha Rivers to the oceans. Nearly as large an amount has been appropriated for some of our colossal post-offices and local improvements, and there is no good financial reason why this great national thoroughfare, as necessary to the East as to the West, should not be undertaken. If we could make sure that the work could be carried on without jobbery or corruption or extravagance, we should give the project our hearty approval.

The Committee of Seventy and the Charter.

We publish in another column a full statement of the views upon the amended charter which will be urged today before the legislative Committees on Cities, by a delegation from the Committee of Seventy. The document is subscribed by Prof. DWIGHT on behalf of the Subcommittee on Legislation. That Committee includes the names of Ex-Gov. SALOMON and of Messrs. SCHULTZ, EATON, CHOATE and STURGES. The members of the Committee are entirely unanimous on the points which they submit for the consideration of the Legislature, and with such indorsement, the views presented will doubtless receive careful attention. The Committee accord a tribute of deserved praise to the general tenor of the Republican amendments to the charter, and they give the keynote to the general discussion of the subject, by declaring that their main office "is to make such suggestions as will perfect the scheme which has been presented." Prof. DWIGHT and his colleagues consider the plan submitted to be defective in the following important particulars:

I. They object to the principle of making the nominations of the Mayor subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen. Such a provision they hold to be inconsistent with the undivided responsibility which the people demand in the executive head of the City Government. They propose to give the Mayor the absolute power of appointment, and the power of removal only "for cause." We merely state this opinion, without adopting it.

II. They propose that the tenure of office of the heads of departments should be the same as that of the Mayor—two years.

III. They object to any of the present heads of Departments being legislated into office, and maintain that "all should go out of office at the same time."

IV. They object to the practically unlimited power of removal over their subordinates intrusted to heads of Departments, and propose that in the Police, Fire, and Health Departments, at least, the power of removal should be exercised only on inquiry of a judicial nature, and on specific charges.

V. It is pointed out that the plan of allowing the heads of Departments to fix the salaries of their subordinates is fraught with great danger of abuse, and that such power should be intrusted to the Board of Apportionment.

VI. It is recommend that, like the other departments, the Department of Public Works should be placed under the charge of three Commissioners.

VII. It is urged that the Corporation Attorney, the Public Administrator, and the Attorney to the Board of Health, should be appointed by the Judges of some of the Courts, instead of by the Corporation Counsel.

VIII. The clause empowering the heads of Departments to open contracts and make awards in the absence of the Controller, is objected to.

IX. It is proposed that the estimates made by the Board of Apportionment, fixing the tax levy for the year, should be subject to discussion in the Board of Aldermen, where tax-payers could be heard in relation to these estimates, and where the heads of departments should be present to answer questions or make explanations. The Aldermen ought merely to have the power of returning the estimates with their objections, if any, and in the event of these being disregarded by the Board of Apportionment, they should be compelled to assign reasons for such action.

Finally, the Committee urge that time should be allowed for a further examination and a more mature discussion of the proposed amendments, and that their phraseology be subject to the careful revision which many evident marks of haste in drafting imperatively demand.

Refunding the Cotton Tax.

There is a considerable pressure upon Congress for the refunding of the tax on cotton, and this pressure is exerted in the usual way. When one reflects in what relatively small amounts, and by how many widely-scattered parties, this tax was paid, it is evident that some peculiar means has been employed to consolidate the interest in the bill. This is the fact. The means have been very simple, and have consisted in the purchase by speculators, of one kind and another, of all the tax receipts they could lay their hands on, and at merely nominal rates. This is a fact patent enough for even the most incautious Congressman to see, and we hope that when the measure comes up for consideration, an explanation of it will be required. Then the cat will out, for no explanation can be given.

Another fact, besides the notorious purchase of the tax receipts, makes it impossible that the bill should restore the tax collected to those who originally paid it. It is the way in which the laborers who raised the cotton were paid. They worked, both white and black, as a general rule, for a share of the crop. At the end of the year, when they settled with the planter or merchant who advanced supplies, the amount of the tax was invariably deducted from the market value of the cotton. In this way the laborers really paid a large share of the tax, but they took, and can now have, no evidence of that payment, and it would be impossible to refund it to them. As for the portion which they did not pay, it would be almost impossible to trace that also to those who originally bore it. The receipts are largely in the hands of speculators, as we have said, but of the remainder, the larger part is with commission merchants and middle men, and not with the producers, who suffered the original loss inflicted by the tax.

On whatever grounds the refunding scheme may be urged, it must be plain that these considerations are fatal to it.

MINOR TOPICS.

The art students of the life school at the National Academy of Design, who have been preparing an album for the purpose of raising funds to start a school of painting, have subscribed eight hundred dollars among themselves, and have already started the school. The Professor of Painting appointed is Mr. LE CLAIR, a portrait painter of distinguished merit, and lessons will be given three times a week. Meanwhile, the album scheme, though considerably delayed by the dilatoriness of the binder, has not been relinquished, and the album will very shortly be placed before the public, a hundred copies having been printed off by the photographer. These young men have shown so sincere a desire for instruction, so devoted a passion for art, and so much readiness to help themselves, that we feel assured the public will meet them in the most generous spirit. It would be well if some of our rich citizens would endow the Academy with sufficient money to make this school perpetual, and enable it to offer those premiums for excellence which have given such deserved celebrity to the schools of Europe.

A seamstress was arrested the other day, in Brooklyn, for pawning clothing which she had taken home to sew, and upon her examination the following evidence was elicited: She asserted that she was employed by a Miss PHILLIPS, of this City, who paid her seventeen cents for making four pairs of trousers, fifty cents for making twelve pairs of drawers, and twenty-five cents for making six shirts. Because she did not finish the trousers as soon as she had agreed to, Miss PHILLIPS refused to pay her, and she thereupon pawned them to keep her family from starving. Here is a case which ought to interest those women who are continually crying out against the tyranny of men. It was not a man who exacted from this poor seamstress such quantities of work at such a preposterous price. It was a woman who refused to pay her the wretched pittance which she asked, on the pretense that she had not finished her work sufficiently soon.

The proprietor of the Park Hotel, according to the statement of the lessee thereof, declines to remove the slippery and dangerous vault-covers in the neighborhood of the hotel, and asserts that they are "better than others in many parts of the City." Evidently he thinks that it is a matter of no consequence that people should fall and injure themselves, and prefers that they should do so, rather than that he should incur the slight expense of providing new vault-covers. If he is so well satisfied with the condition of the present vault-covers, why does he not try the experiment of walking over them? Let him announce that at a specified time on a given day he will publicly try to walk over these vault-covers, and he may be sure that a large assemblage will be present to witness the feat. When, however, the inevitable fall comes, and he lies bruised upon the pavement, he will hardly appreciate the sarcastic remarks which the delighted public will address to him.

Clerks attached to the Ontario Government are actively urging their claims to an increase of salary. It appears that the average pay now received does not exceed one thousand dollars, and this amount is said to be insufficient, because of the increased cost of living, and the prosperity of those engaged in commercial pursuits. Clerks in business houses, they submit, are more liberally rewarded for their labor, and in consequence, have the advantage of being better able to afford the luxury of "going into society." The point is also made in support of the demand that the Quebec Government spends $66,670 for clerical labor, to the $45,969 of the Ontario Government. However, considering the extravagance of the legislators at Quebec in using money for all sorts of Quixotic enterprises, the argument will not be likely to have much effect, more particularly as the employes are really not paid any better, the difference being in the number of them. At the present time it is evidently the object of the Ontario Government to keep public expenses as low as possible, and, unless we are greatly mistaken, this movement on the part of the clerks is not going to make much headway during the current year. Besides, a thousand dollars in Canada goes further than two thousand dollars in New-York, and this fact being considered, they cannot be said to be very badly off.

The Flushing and North-side Railway has honestly earned the reputation of being one of the best-managed railways in the country. Its cars are handsome and commodious, and it has adopted nearly every valuable invention for promoting the comfort and safety of its passengers. It is, therefore, a matter of surprise that it is now using, on certain of its trains, old-fashioned, dangerous, and inconvenient smoking-cars. That those cars are dangerous is evident, when it is known that they are heated by common stoves, placed in the centre of each car, and liable to be upset in case of accident. There is no reason why smokers should thus be compelled either to give up the morning cigar, or to ride in an uncomfortable under-box. Undoubtedly the reason for the presence of these cars on the road in question is the temporary deficiency of rolling stock, caused by the increase of the Company's business. It is to be hoped that this deficiency will soon be remedied.

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ST GAUDENS' STATUE.

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My conscience smites me. In my last letter I said things which bore hard on the nation's wards, for their sins against humanity and heaven. Since then the Times has come to me, with the story of a wife-murder in the heart of Christian New-York, the fiendish barbarity of which would startle an Apache and put to his metal an Ogalalla Sioux. The fearful story runs, that one George Scheffin, "a workingman, of fine appearance, of portly build, and of good address," who did not live happily with his wife—in fact had not lived with her at all latterly—on going to her house, on a filial visit to his mother, found a strange man there and his wife drunk, and, moved to great anger, proceeded to punish them both, the man by kicking him out of the house, and the woman by blows and cuts, and finally ended by killing and scalping her! There was a witness to this frightful scene in the aged but alas, also, the inebriated Mrs. Scheffin the elder, who, when asked why she did not summon the Police, replied: "My son is a mee man, and I didn't like to get him into trouble." A mother is a mother, though over so much in years and in liquor. It is possible she was not fond of her daughter-in-law. After the deed was done, and the bleeding victim "flung, partially nude, on a pile of straw and shavings in the corner of a small, dark bedroom," the "nice man" went out, saying that he was going to the Station-house to give himself up; but he probably lost his way, as he did not appear until he was sought for, though he went to the undertaker and ordered a coffin for his wife, which was considerate. When brought before Inspector McDermott, that hardened official blurted out, "George, this is a bad business," and, though his feelings must have been hurt, the unhappy prisoner replied frankly, "Yes, Sir; I'm sorry."

After all, there is a difference. The white savage did not creep stealthily on his victim, like a treacherous Indian, and dispatch her at once. Your reporter says: "Blood was found in the yard and hall way, showing that the fight between the murdered woman and her husband had continued all over the house, until the fatal injuries were inflicted in the bedroom," all of which shows that Scheffin gave his Mazie a chance for her life. This is Anglo-Saxon chivalry. Again; when the rude red man murders his squaw, for ever so good cause, and the avengers of blood come upon him, he knows that his fate is sure, that they will strike and not spare; but the white savage has still chances for escape—through lawyers, judges, intelligent jurymen, and a merciful Executive. This is what law and civilization do for a man. Again; the heathen of the plains, after a deliberate deed of that sort, would have no remorse; torture could not force from his grim lips one word of tender regret. Our George said: "I'm sorry"—and yet, to sorrow not as one without hope, for if worse comes to worst, he has the priest, absolution, and heaven to fall back on. This is what Christianity does for a man.

While women are weak and yet rebellious, and the men who own them are stern in virtue and yet fierce in jealousy, and while madness can be bought by the pint at the next corner, we expect wife-murder of the ordinary, conventional sort; but really it ought to stop there. The new feature of scalping is too much. This is what comes of taking Indians to New-York and exhibiting them at Cooper Institute. It is as bad for you as it is for them.

I am glad to see by your last report of the case, that the hero of the "low tenement-house" tragedy is "still in custody." I don't wish to be severe—hardness toward the erring is most unlovely in women—but I don't think Mr. Scheffin is a safe person to have about. I hope you will keep him in custody till after his trial, at least.

By the way, I have noticed that in these fatal domestic affrays, the victim is seldom the lawful wife of the murderer, but "a woman he has been living with"—which fact would seem to prove that these temporary, half-way alliances are not as free from strife and peril as the new social reformers would have us believe. They seem to aggravate rather than ameliorate the rigors of wedlock. "A little marriage is a dangerous thing."

I have not been much to the Capitol of late. Whenever I do ascend the Senate stairway, I still find a little crowd gazing at "Perry's Victory." In one sense, at least, Mr. Powell draws well. People look with more or less interest on the picture as something long looked for come at last. We cannot say "welcome, little stranger!" for it is not little, and it is not a stranger—being almost a copy of a painting by the same bold hand in the Ohio State Capitol.

"Insatiate artist, would not one suffice?"

By the way, your compositor made me state in my late notice of this picture that I got my nautical points "for the *World's* young man." I wrote *from*. "Honor to whom honor is due." Mr. Moran's painting of "The Grand Cañon of the Yellowstone," which this displaces, is now in the old Hall of Representatives, and also attracts considerable attention. It is not, I think, generally known that in executing this commission, the generous artist threw in a grizzly. I was told by a connoisseur that the beast was somewhere at the left of the cañon, lurking in the shadow of the rocks and pines, and though, as many old Western hunters say, "I hadn't lost any bear," I looked for this one anxiously, and at last he seemed to pop bodily out of the canvas, and is now as absurdly obvious as the figure of Napoleon among the trees, in the old puzzle-picture of the imperial tomb at St. Helena.

This picture of Mr. Moran's is distinctively American, and for that I like it; but it is very yellow, and we thought we had ochre enough in "Westward Ho," the fatiguing fresco of Mr. Leutze. I am aware that since this picture has taken sanctuary in the Capitol it will be thought very impertinent in me to comment thus tightly upon it—to even make game of the bear. Capitol-worship is a part of people's religion, here at Washington. If yonder costly conglomerate edifice were the most ancient and splendid temple of Isis; if the statue of Liberty, somewhat cumbered with clothes and bonneted with an immolated eagle that crowns it, were the gorgeously appareled and many-breasted Diana of the Ephesians, and we were Ephesians, it could scarce be held in more awful veneration. Any remark, however playful, that seems to reflect on the glory of its architecture or its art, is set down as blasphemy and "flat burglary as ever was committed." So, being a politic woman, I am very careful what I say about it, though it is well known that my private opinion is, it is an architecture old Moloch, insatiate for sacrifice, a magnificent stationary Juggernaut, which seems destined to crush all the small property-holders not favored by "rings" in the region roundabout. Some irreverent joking of mine, in a late letter, touching the statuary in the Old Hall of Representatives

has called down on my head that disproportionate reprobation. Now, I have really no ill-will toward that lonesome little group of portrait statues. I would rather have them there than some of the old legislators they have displaced. They are better behaved. I think I never said anything seriously derogatory of them. I never gave them much serious thought, though, with the exception of the airy and dapper Washington, and the fiery Greene, full of the pleasant zest of fight, they constitute quite a "Serious Family." There is a Revolutionary Governor, so solemn and grim of aspect that one might take the document he holds for a "message" from the other world; and a sad-visaged President, who hands out an emancipation proclamation as though it were a death warrant; and an eminent statesman of old time, imposing beyond any of his kind in our day.

"As if to balance the prone brow,
Oppressive with its mind."

there is vast weight and volume in his coat-skirts. His handsome face is unworried by thought and care, but there are untimely wrinkles in his small-clothes. The one solitary lady, from Italy, draped with severest modesty, is not precisely a jocund personage. To make up a grave, old-fashioned trio, to the two *Rogers*. I would add a third—John, of holy primer memory. Although coming upon them in the gloaming, you might take the whole collection for that melancholy gathering of modern revelers, a "Sheet and Pillow-case Party." I respectfully submit that we, the people, have a right to laugh or to cry over statues and effigies we have bought and paid for. It is hard if we cannot have our little jokes at the expense of these Government artists, when they can have their big jokes at the expense of the whole country. But I am told that what in art "is done cannot be undone," and that any light, disrespectful mention of these things, which are *faits accomplis* and accepted by the nation, is not only "foolish jesting, which is not convenient," but talk calculated to hurt the feelings of the artists and their friends. Why, this refinement of the golden rule would abridge our privileges in every direction. It would prevent all frank enjoyment of the foibles and eccentricities of one's bosom friends, and take the life out of tea-parties and sewing-circles. It would put an end to much of the light raillery and playful chaffing which now relieve the cloying sweetness and exceeding peace of wedded life. It would compel editors and newspaper correspondents to be courteous and fair to one another—it would even forbid us to smile over the melancholy absurdities of bereaved obituary writers, in the Philadelphia *Ledger*, because what is is "sport" to us is "death" to them. I have no doubt, however, but that these same marbles and marvels of the Capitol will out-live me, and my little jests and criticisms, considerably. Centuries hence, when savans are disputing over the site of the Capitol—perhaps deciding that the masses of masonry found on our hill are not the ruins of the Capitol of the ancient Republic of the Yanks at all, but of the temple of an unknown god, called Meigs, that name appearing on every arch and step and column—when they are accounting for the deep cuts in our avenues by theories of subsidence and glacial action, —then, I dare say, some of these same statues, and the bronzes of the West End will be unearthed, and people will gather round to gaze and wonder who and what they are. By that time I expect to be pretty generally forgotten.

Our sparkling *Evening Star*, which once beamed benignantly upon me, but is no longer propitious, accused me of "giving a stereotype fling at the Lincoln statue of Miss Ream." Now, that is really unjust. I always manage to say something new about it. The charge of "waging war" on the sculptor herself, is worse than unjust. Though accounted somewhat of an Amazon, I never make war on women and children. I have not the slightest malevolence toward the young lady in question. I do not begrudge her her reputation or her recompense. She is welcome to my thirty-millioneth part of the public money paid for her statue. The Board of Public Works would have squandered it long ago if she had not had it. The *Star* claims that she is "a hard-working and meritorious little artist." I admit all these good points, and add that she is, from all I hear, an amiable and attractive person. Foreign as are to me such comely and comfortable attributes, I positively have no prejudice against youth, beauty, and diminutiveness. I am glad that Miss Ream is pretty and *petite*. It is good to be able to create a fair work of art; it is better to be a fair work of nature. "The heathen, in his blindness, bows down to wood and stone;" the Christian, man or woman, with good unjaundiced eyes, pays glad homage to lovely flesh and blood. I hope the lady may long retain both her beauty and her courage. I cannot wish for her any more martyred Presidents to model; but the worst I wish for her is the desire to study hard, and the opportunity to labor successfully, until she is rich enough to recall from the custody of the nation, the work of her 'prentice hand, and substitute for it a creation of matured power and practiced art. I am sure the time will come when she will wish to do something of the sort—when the woman will be the girl's severest critic.

Should a new Lincoln be executed, the old Lincoln need not perish utterly. There will be stuff enough in him to make ever so many small portrait-heads of the fair sculptor's editorial friends. She could use him as *Juliet* proposes to "gentle night" to do with her *Romeo*, "when he shall die":

"Take him, and cut him out in little stars."

I know this is a very frivolous letter, but I have been very ill and cannot yet bring my mind to bear on serious subjects. As soon as health and time will permit, I intend to take up several grave subjects of general interest. Among other things I am disposed to look carefully into and have my say about the French spoliation claims. In this I may run counter to your course, but it will be somewhat like a yacht running into a man-of-war. The collision will not hurt you much.

Annual Festival of the Lord Industrial School.

The annual festival of the "Lord" School, now become somewhat famous in the lower part of the City, was held yesterday afternoon in their school building, No. 207 Greenwich-street. Every seat was occupied by a neat and orderly company of children. Daniel D. Lord, Esq., presided over the festival. At his side upon the platform, and filling all the unappropriated space in the forward part of the room, was an unusually large assemblage of both ladies and gentlemen. Among the gentlemen whom we recognized were J. F. Girard Foster, D. C. Eggleston, Richard Irvin, C. L. Brace, John Paton, D. E. Hawley, and James Fraser. The programme consisted of singing, recitations, and dialogues, and in all the parts committed to the children it is no more than just to say that they acquitted themselves with marked ability. Excellent addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Wm. Ormiston, Dr. Prime, and Rev. Wm. Burnham, of Turkey. At the conclusion of the exercises, Mr. D. E. Hawley, the Treasurer, gave a clear and succinct exhibit of the condition of the school, its resources, and their plans for the ensuing year. The present principal of the school is Miss Kate Youngman, formerly a teacher in the Twelfth-street Public School.

The annual meeting of the trustees was held in the evening at the house of George De Forrest Lord, Esq. Among the trustees present were Howard Potter, James M. Brown, Daniel D. Lord, J. W. Alexander, George Cabot Ward, Robert B. Minturn, John Crosby Brown, and some half-dozen other gentlemen equally well known. William E. Dodge, Jr., was selected as Chairman. The minutes of the last annual meeting and the annual report were read by C. L. Brace, and the Treasurer's statement by D. E. Hawley. Beside the school, there is included in the enterprise, to which the trustees lend their influence, a working men's free reading-room and library. To properly equip and carry forward an institution of this kind involves the outlay of a considerable amount annually, and the Treasurer invites all who are in favor of sustaining so truly benevolent an undertaking to send their subscriptions to his office, No. 48 Wall-street.

AMUSEMENTS.

Opening of the "New" Fifth-Avenue Theatre.

A NEW PLAY AND A NEW PLAY-HOUSE.

Last night will be memorable in the New-York dramatic world for more reasons than one. To make up for the loss of the old Fifth-avenue Theatre, a new one has been literally created in less than three weeks; for the edifice in Broadway was almost a shell, and its decorations and appointments, as shown last evening, are absolutely new. Considering the speed with which this has been done, the taste evinced and the completeness attained are not short of remarkable. The theatre has already been described in our columns and requires no present attention in detail. Suffice it to say, the house is neat, and even elegant, and that there is an airiness of effect about both the stage and auditorium to which the little house in Twenty-fourth-street never could pretend. An immense assemblage collected to do honor to the opening, among whom many frequenters of the old theatre were conspicuous, and the temper of the audience was noticeably gay and congratulatory. Everything in front worked excellently. There was no fresh paint to come off on clothes, no breaking down of seats, and no difficulty in properly placing the great crowd as it arrived. In short, there was pleasant evidence on every side of energy, good judgment, and foresight. After a spirited overture, the curtain drew up, parting in the middle in a way novel just now here, although often employed before and elsewhere. The whole company were disclosed, standing, in evening dress, and an original address was then delivered, all of the ladies and gentlemen taking a part. This address was written by Mr. John Brougham, and, being even more exceptional in character than the occasion that begot it, we place it on record as follows:

THE ADDRESS.
Mr. Dawdge.

Thanks, generous patrons, for that welcome cheer,
It shows us we have little cause for fear.
As our suspended play we here renew,
Our change of base will bring no change in you.
Mrs. Gilbert.

Stooping to Conquer is our motto now—
A kind of paradox. I must allow—
For though your high esteem was won up-town,
Higher we'll rise by coming further down.
Mr. Fiuggold.

Ill-fortune is the truest test of friends,
And for our ill your goodness makes amends
Most ample, and that favor to return,
As far as in our power lies, we burn;
Miss Mortimer.

Not literally, mind you—gracious knows,
It's quite enough, I think, to burn one's clothes!
Miss Jewett.

I think so, too; that lovely poult de soie,
The sweetest thing in silk I ever saw;
That Paris bonnet and mantean de cour
Miss Cary.

My beautiful mauvaise, trimmed with guipure,
And jobe imperial that was so chic.
Miss St. Clair.

And my incomparable moire antique
Fichu d' Antonette and point lace berthe,
A thing of joy—
Miss Claxton.

The master-piece of Worth!
Miss Morris.

I cannot now, so much I feel bereft,
Remember half the articles I left.
Mr. James.

The Public will remember one, don't fear.
Miss Morris.

Which one?
Mr. James.

"Article 47," my dear.
Mr. Rockwell.

They won't forget that easily, I bet.
Mr. Fawcett.

Oh, no, no! I'm not so mad as that!
Miss Morant.

Ah, well, it's useless now regrets to nurse.
If you reflect, it might have been much worse;
And the burnt sacrifice is not in vain,
That such abundant sympathy can gain.
And for the rest, my dears, I rather guess
That sumptuary grievance you'll redress.
Miss Dietz.

How many orbs in the dramatic system
Have passed away, and yet how few have missed them.
The "Globe" that once revolved about this space
Must to the world of fashion now give place;
That world, so changed in its relation,
And yet so constant to this Constellation.
Mr. Lewis.

Gone is the little stage we loved so well,
And now I will find it difficult to tell
"The spot where she originally fell."
Mr. Whiting.

"Sulky," no longer, I accept my lot,
Although I found that "Road to Ruin" hot.
Mr. Lemoyne.

The way I bolted from it was a sin;
"It wasn't business, but I throws it in."
Mr. Crisp.

And now, determined from our minds to cast
All gloomy recollections of the past,
Here is our home; no fitter could be found
Than this.
Mr. Griffiths.

For it was on this very ground
Our author managed career began.
Where "Under the Gas-light" his first venture shone;
It was the "Broadway" then, the alteration
I shall account for in a brief narration.
Once, when old Judkins, of the Cunard line,
Felt premature necessity to dine,
His craving apetite outran the hour—
At sea those Captains have peculiar power.
Hailing the watch in his convincing way,
"Ho! there. What lacks it of four bells," said he.
"Some twenty minutes by the sun, and more,"
The man replied. When said the Commodore,
"The sun—can't wait for him, Sir; make it four."
"Aye, aye, Sir! four it is." So Judkins dined,
Calling the hours just as he'd a mind.
Mr. Clarke.

To call things as he pleases, too, he claims,
For though the house was known by various names,
In spite of custom or locality,
Ho, make it the Fifth-avenue, said he;
Aye, aye, Sir, said the printer, lucky words,
Fifth-avenue it is, Sir—on the boards.
Mr. Fisher.

The change one problem proves beyond a doubt,
That Broadway can be thoroughly cleaned out.
Without rough, brigand hands to make it clear;
Or milder reason of the atmosphere.
Miss Davenport.

Here may we hope to pleasantly renew
Our late acquaintance, broken off with you.
Our purpose is to win your hand and heart.
For this we'll practice every kind of art,
So that like "Man and Wife" we may remain,
And never come "Divorce" 'twixt us again.

This appropriate prologue was accepted with great satisfaction by the public, each favorite artist, on coming forward, being received with peals of applause. After this, and after an enthusiastic demand—responded to by Mr. Daly—the regular dramatic work of the evening was fairly begun. "Alixe," the new comedy, is the composition of the Baroness de Plebois, and the adaptation is credited by the bills to Mr. Daly. The cast of the piece includes some of the strongest names of the company, and is appended:

The Duke de Mirandoe, a man of millions, Mr. Louis James
The Marquis Ceseranne, married and happy, Mr. James Lewis
The Count de Somerive, wedded and wretched, Mr. Charles Fisher
Henry de Kerdran, betrothed to one and loving another.....Mr. George Clarke
Valentine, Ceseranne's Servant...Mr. W. H. Beekman
Joseph, Ceseranne's Valet.....Mr. J. H. Burnett
Madame Valory; "And did you think, Madam, that Heaven had, by any chance, forgotten you?".....Miss Fanny Morant
Alixe.....Miss Clara Morris
The Marquise Ceseranne, the gentle mistress of Ivissy.....Miss Fanny Davenport
Lucienne.....Miss Linda Dietz
Claudine, the Marquise's Maid...Miss Nellie Mortimer

"Alixe" dragged heavily last night at the outset, and the audience, while extremely good humored, was manifestly bored. But as the piece progresses it becomes more and more interesting, and it was clear by the end of the second act that it was destined to be successful in no common degree. It is superlatively French, too like many other French pieces, in its earlier parts, at least, to awaken any lively interest. There are a number of well-dressed people walking about and telling stories that seem needlessly long, and this air of weighty narrative is certainly rather discouraging. The interest, however, comes at last and in good earnest. To narrate the plot would be, for many, to spoil the whole interest, and therefore we forbear. But very much better than the plot are the peculiar studies of character, one of which, the *Duc de Mirandoe*, is almost new to the stage. A man who goes into conventional raptures of love-making on the slightest occasion, who thus gains the repute of a heartless trifler, right and left, but who is yet at bottom a thoroughly noble and generous fellow, is surely a dramatic novelty, whatever it may be in real life. Mr. Louis James is hardly equal, as yet, in stage experience, to this singular and very interesting part; but he did himself remarkable credit in it, and we are free to say showed talent we have not observed in him before. To Miss Clara Morris is assigned the heroine *Alixe*. The lady played some scenes of the rôle with a depth of feeling, a delicacy, and a subtlety of perception worthy of high praise. Miss Morris was called before the curtain and very heartily cheered. "Alixe" will do her much good here. As she mellows in the text, Miss Morris will produce more effect even than at first; and we felicitate her on a fairly gained and honorable success. No better *Madame Valory* could be wished than Miss Morant, who endowed the character with much tragic power. Miss Linda Dietz as *Lucienne* was likewise exceedingly good. Mr. James Lewis made all the fun he could with the *Marquis Ceseranne*. The *Count de Somerive*, like all of Mr. Charles Fisher's impersonations, was finished and impressive. With a deserved word of compliment to Miss Fanny Davenport and Mr. George Clarke, who left nothing to be desired in their respective characters, our present remarks on this striking play must close. The opening of the new house was attended by every evidence of prosperity, and the appeal made by Mr. Daly when called to the front, at the beginning of the evening, was most satisfactorily responded to by the audience on all possible occasions. "Alixe" will, of course, be the card here every night until further notice.

ROBERT BURNS.

Lecture by George MacDonald at Association Hall, Last Night.

Despite the inclemency of the weather, last night, Association Hall was filled by a large and enthusiastic audience to hear Mr. George MacDonald's lecture on Robert Burns. The lecturer introduced his subject by saying that Robert Burns belonged to the world, and he would speak of him only as a Scotchman, so far as it concerned his being given to the world. When Burns was born, things had been going wrong with the literature of England and Scotland. Imitators were among the principal poets and writers of the time, men who thought more of how to say a thing than of the thing itself. A man had to be taken from the, plow-tail to set literature right, and give the world an example by saying what he had to say honestly and nobly, without imitating the thoughts or manners of others. It matters little, continued the lecturer, that those from whom he came were unknown, for the man had the great fundamental preparation for a poet—a large heart. What makes a poet? A poet is a man in whom the human being is more than a man in having all the human gifts in larger proportion and more felicitously combined, but not containing in them one feeling or one element that other men do not possess. A poet has to pass through a furnace seven times heated—through sorrow, through hunger, and misery—so that he shall be a place where humanity can find itself. Burns was born in a mud cottage, of poor parents. He was born among the roots of things, where none of the extraneous essences of life were known. Brought up in simplicity and hardship, he wielded the plow before he was sixteen years of age, and exerted all the physical energies of his nature to earn such a living as there is not one among us here would not despise. Such was the training of the man that had to set all the literature of the English world right. He had to learn and understand the simplicities and elements of life, and, therefore, the elements of true poetry. If poetry is not truth, and does not despise what is called license, so far it is not poetry. Poetry is the highest form of the utterance of men's thoughts. There would have been no prose if poetry had not gone first and taught people how to write. Prose is but broken down poetry. But pain and suffering in themselves cannot do much. Think what the sweet visitations of morning and evening were to him, and that no natural sight or sound but was to him an inspiration and a delight. The very winds played upon his soul as they did upon an Æolian harp, and proved what wonders nature can do for a man that understands her, and that all nature is but the human soul turned inside out. Many people have written perhaps as melodious and as strong verses as Robert Burns, but the one thing that he did was to teach that poetry is all around about us, and the human heart, whether it knows it or not, is always encircled by poetry. Poets before him and after him, too, had been singing of a paradise, a millennium that is so far behind us that the date of it is unknown; Burns came to tell men that it was time to sing about things we could see and feel, and that were capable of being found. He seized the life around him, uttered what he felt, and taught us that a man should not be judged by what he has, but by what he is, and in this last he went against the commonly received principles and practices of society. Burns proved that the rich man might gather around him an accumulation of things that were not himself, and in his poems he showed that humanity is the thing to be thought of, and not the clothes in which humanity is dressed.

The lecturer here read Burns' two well-known poems, "It is no' in Title Nor in Rank," and "A Man's a Man for a' That," with great effect, and proceeded by saying that nothing in humanity was common or unclean, and that human sympathy must be commensurate with the need of it, or we haven't grown to the size of it. Burns was so familiar with the conditions of common life, that he has given us some pictures of it which are disagreeable. Pictures of low life are, perhaps, not the best thing in the world, but no one has given some of them with a power of homely truth and tenderness that is beyond expression. The Scotch servant who became indignant when ordered to prepare the best bed in the house for Burns, forcibly illustrated this. She wanted to know what Burns was that all this fuss should be made about him, and as for his "Cotter's Saturday Night" she had read it, and it was nothing but what she had seen in her own father's house every Saturday night of the year. Burns must not be judged by his English poems. He could not write in English. If you want humor or pathos you must get either a very low language or a *patois*. Burns did a very grand thing besides all this. It is a mighty good thing when there is a brotherhood throughout a whole country. Burns taught patriotism, and the marvelous love which Scotchmen bear each other, seeing in every countryman a brother, is the work of Robert Burns, the consequence of his glorious songs which he sent out into the world binding men together with an invisible thread.

The lecturer here read Burns' great patriotic poem "Scots wha hae," &c., with great power and interest, and creating quite a furore among his audience, and afterward read several of Burns' poems illustrative of the poet's marvelous power of depicting humor and pathos, selecting "Whistle and I'll come to ye, my lad," as a specimen of Burns' humor, and "My Nannie's awa" of his pathos. The lecturer concluded his selections by reading the principal portion of the poem of "Tam O'Shanter," which, he said, contained more of the characteristics of Burns than any poem he had ever written. Mr. MacDonald concluded his lecture by saying: "I wish I could speak as well of some portions of Burns' life. He is accused of being a drunkard, and though he cannot be defended altogether from the charge of drunkenness, he was not a man abandoned to drink. He was so poor that he was glad to take a situation as excise officer, a position about as far removed from poetry as possible. He had to ride 200 miles per week and keep a book filled with a vast number of accounts, and yet when he died his books were found correct. This does not look like a man abandoned to drink. His poem of "A Man's a Man for a' That," was written just before his death, and that does not read like the work of a man abandoned to drink. I wish I could defend him further. It is sad, indeed, when the divinely commissioned singers of the world cannot keep themselves out of the gutter. He sang about the lower things because he dared not touch the higher. He was a man divinely gifted, of noble impulses and grand soul, but could not be a priest of God, because he could not be a king over himself. I have this to say for Burns: He kept up the struggle with himself, and God seeing that he was fighting, took him, at the age of thirty-nine, to Himself. Let us remember that the best in the man is the man, and the best in Robert Burns is that for which we deliant to honor him, and if we cannot respect him, we can love him all the more.

At the conclusion of the lecture, Rev. Mr. Anderson suggested that Miss Antoinette Sterling, who was among the audience, should sing the song of "A Man's a Man for a' That," as a tribute to Mr. MacDonald, and as a means of thanking him for his brilliant lecture. Miss Sterling complied with the request, and sang the song with great spirit, and was rewarded with hearty applause.

THE UNION PACIFIC.

Proceedings Before the Wilson Committee of Investigation Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The Wilson Committee met at 10½ o'clock this forenoon.

E. H. Rollins, who has been Treasurer of the Union Pacific Railroad Company since April, 1871, having been sworn, stated that his present residence is Concord, N. H.; was Secretary of the Company at the time the office of the Company was removed to Boston, in May, 1869. Prior to that time he was employed by the Company to attend to some business in Washington. It was during the construction of the road, and to secure the subsidy bonds, and to attend to the adjustment of accounts with the Quarter-master's Department.

Mr. Rollins was interrogated as to entries in the books of the Company which were before him, from which it appeared that the first contract made for the construction of the road was with H. M. Hoxie. This was approved by a special committee of the Board. The contract was assigned to the Credit Mobilier. Nothing beside the Boomer contract appears on the books. The contract of John M. S. Williams was accepted. The books also show that the Oakes Ames contract was accepted by the Credit Mobilier and assigned to the trustees. The witness named the pages on the books where these things appear, and also where the Davis contract could be found. The Davis contract was accepted in November, 1868, subject to the approval of all the stockholders. It was assigned to the trustees named, and approved.

Witness said he was never at any time connected with the Credit Mobilier, either as an officer or as a stockholder.

The Committee then took a recess for an hour.

On reassembling, at 1½ o'clock P. M., the examination of Mr. Rollins was resumed.

By the Chairman—State what was the cost to the Pacific Railroad Company for the construction of the first part of the road which was embraced in the Hoxie contract. Witness—The books show that the amount charged and paid was $14,550,279; the last credit was on Sept. 30, 1867; two millions of this was paid some time during 1870; a note was given for it by the Company and charged to the Hoxie contract; the note was given to Elisha Atkins, of Boston, as collateral security in trust for the indorsement of the same bond, required in the suit pending in Pennsylvania against the Credit Mobilier for taxes.

Witness, on reflection, thought this transaction was in 1869.

Q.—Do you know of any consideration at all for which the note was given for $2,000,000? A.—Only under the Hoxie contract.

By Gen. Slocum—Has the suit in Pennsylvania been settled? A.—It has been.

Q.—Then why has not this note, given as collateral security, been recalled by the Company? A.—I do not know.

By the Chairman—Has not an order been recently passed by the Union Pacific Railroad Company to issue a large amount of bonds? A.—An order was, in December, 1872, passed to issue $16,000,000 in bonds to be denominated Sinking Fund Mortgage Bonds. The mortgage has never been made and executed.

In reply to a question as to whether witness knew of a lot of bonds having been lost in the transfer of the office of the Union Pacific Railroad Company from New-York to Boston, he referred to his report, made on March 8, 1871, to the Board of Directors, from which it appeared that 254 bonds belonging to the Company were lost. He had no idea what became of the bonds, the effort to recover them being fruitless.

The witness said the amount paid under Oakes Ames' contract, as shown by the books of the Company, was $59,381,859. The Chairman asked what the 143 miles of road already completed and accepted by the Government, and included in Oakes Ames' contract, cost the Company? Witness said it was impossible for him to answer that; he presumed the amount might be approximated by those having charge of the books at the time.

The Chairman—The next contract after the Oakes Ames contract, was the Davis contract. What was the cost to the Company of building the road under that contract?

Answer—$26,385,595, according to the books.

The witness stated the whole cost of the road was $38,569,627. In reply to a question, he said that on the 9th March, 1871, a resolution was passed by the Board of Directors that a committee of three be appointed, to act with the President, to audit, settle, and pay the special legal expenses of the Company. The Committee consisted of Thomas A. Scott, E. M. Dodge, John Duff, and Government Director James F. Wilson. The Committee reported to the Board. They found $126,000 were due for special legal expenses. No statement was made as to when and to whom the payment was made. In reply to Mr. Hoar, the witness said the mode of that business transaction was somewhat unusual, to conceal the details of the proceeding. He did not believe the money was spent in connection with the passage of an act of Congress to interfere with the Secretary of the Treasury in the matter of withholding certain interest from the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

By Gen. Slocum—Did not think any part of the money was paid to any Senator or Representative in Congress.

Oakes Ames was called with reference to the payment of $126,000 for special legal expenses. He said he did not know how the items were made up. He was in Washington at the time. He also testified that he knew only by report of Mr. Durant having paid Senator Harlan $20,000. He had, previous to Durant's testimony, heard through newspaper correspondence of the money having been paid, Gen. Boynton, for one, having published it. Witness, in reply to a question, said he contributed $3,000 last October or November for political purposes in Indiana. He had been applied to for aid, and thought that was a good way of spending money.

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Several witnesses were then called, but, they failing to appear, the investigation was adjourned to Saturday next.

Academy of Design—The President's Opening Lecture.

Mr. Page, the famous artist, and the present President of the Academy of Design, inaugurated the series of lectures to the students of the art schools, by an introductory lecture on "Imitative Art," given in the grand saloon of the Academy building. He commenced by saying that Dante and truly defined the position of art, when he said that man was the creature of God, and art the creature of man. In the words of Holy Writ, God, when he created man, made him in his own image, so also man, in his creation of art, draws all things that he makes from the fountains of his own being. From this point he showed that for every branch of imitative art, no matter how humble, the student must commence with the human form. If a young pupil went to France to learn to paint barn-door fowls, he would find himself placed at once before a human model, for that was the only road to attain perfection even in the delineation of poultry. The lecturer next adverted to portrait painting as the highest development of imitative art, quoting Hazlett's declaration that of all the fine pictures which the old masters had painted, he preferred their fair portraits. He then turned to the imitative art of the poet and the dramatist, and analyzed the method by which Shakespeare produced his wonderful variety of characters, quarrying them out of his own individuality, shutting some doors and opening others, and he wound up with an impassioned and eloquent tribute to the famous Bard of Avon, finishing by repeating that fine sonnet which commences:

"Who is it that says most—which can say more
Than this rich praise—that you alone are you?
In whose confine immured is the store
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There was a very fair attendance in spite of the unpleasant weather, and at the conclusion of his eloquent lecture Mr. Page was greeted with very hearty applause.

The Deputy Chamberlain—The Injunction Against John Foley Granted.

Chief-Justice Barbour yesterday rendered a decision perpetuating the injunction restraining John Foley from interfering with the duties of the Chamberlain's office. The Judge simply gave a decision to this effect, without, at the time, delivering any opinion as to the reasons for his decision.

Counsel for Mr. Foley announced their intention to appeal to the General Term—which commences in February—and endeavor to secure a hearing at the earliest moment practicable. Acting on this announcement, the counsel at once proceeded to draw up the necessary papers.

Later in the day a written opinion of Chief-Justice Barbour was handed to the counsel for the plaintiff, Francis A. Palmer, to the effect that the Chamberlain, being responsible for very large amounts of money, should be protected from unjust intrusion, and as the defendant had put forth the claim that he acted under an appointment from the Controller, it had become necessary to examine into that question, and he, the Chief-Justice, held the opinion that the appointment of Deputy Chamberlain was devised for the purpose, and included in Oakes Ames' contract, cost the Company? Witness said it was impossible for him to answer that; he presumed the amount might be approximated by those having charge of the books at the time.

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Answer—$26,385,595, according to the books.

The witness stated the whole cost of the road was $38,569,627. In reply to a question, he said that on the 9th March, 1871, a resolution was passed by the Board of Directors that a committee of three be appointed, to act with the President, to audit, settle, and pay the special legal expenses of the Company. The Committee consisted of Thomas A. Scott, E. M. Dodge, John Duff, and Government Director James F. Wilson. The Committee reported to the Board. They found $126,000 were due for special legal expenses. No statement was made as to when and to whom the payment was made. In reply to Mr. Hoar, the witness said the mode of that business transaction was somewhat unusual, to conceal the details of the proceeding. He did not believe the money was spent in connection with the passage of an act of Congress to interfere with the Secretary of the Treasury in the matter of withholding certain interest from the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

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Other donations have been personally acknowledged to the generous contributors.

Previously acknowledged	$7,335 35
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Family collection by Mrs. F. W. J.	50 00
A friend	50 00
Children's Aid Society	5 00
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Mr. Brentano, No. 33 Union-square, has on his counters the usual full supply of English weeklies. Among these the *Graphic* will be found of special interest on account of an exceedingly well-executed portrait of the late Lord Lytton, obtained from a special sitting shortly before his death. The *Graphic* contains other very excellent pictures, and the *Illustrated London News* sustains its well-earned reputation in the the same line. *Punch, Nature, The Academy, Saturday Review*, &c., will also be found on Brentano's counters.

FROM TRUSTWORTHY DATA it has been estimated that at least one-fourth of all persons born in the United States have, at birth, lungs in a tuberculous condition, and in consequence are predisposed to pulmonary complaints; yet it is equally well established that this predisposition need not end in consumption, asthma, or any other lung disease, if due care and watchfulness be observed, and all exciting causes promptly treated as they arise. It is in just such cases Dr. D. JAYNE'S EXPECTORANT exercises its most beneficial effects and has produced the largest proportion of its cures. Besides promptly removing coughs and colds, which, when left to themselves, are the most common cause of tuberculous development, the Expectorant allays any in

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

A most important auction was held yesterday, Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the Exchange, by A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., in the sale under the direction of trustees, of property belonging to the estate of John J. Palmer, deceased, located respectively on Centre and Cliff streets. The attendance was quite large and bidding moderately active, but the prices realized were comparatively low, nevertheless than the real merits of the real estate offered should have commanded, now it is all well rented, and the improvements on the same in good order. The sale was well and fairly conducted by the auctioneers in charge and every effort made to obtain the best possible figure for the realty. The property sold as follows: One 3-story brick store lot on the south-west corner of Howard and Centre streets, adjoining Earle's Hotel 26.5 feet front on Howard and 100.10 feet on Centre-street, with five-story brick building thereon, covering 20 ft. rented for three years, at $1,820 per annum, sold for $68,000 to Calvin Stevens; one plot, in size 53.5 by 46.11, with five-story brick building thereon covering same, on the south-east corner of Baxter and Centre streets, nearly opposite above building rented for fourteen years at the rate of about $5,000 per year, sold for $61,750 to Elizabeth A. LeRoy, one of the heirs to the estate. Premises No. 13 Cliff-street, and No. 31.1 feet south of Fulton-street, embracing a lot 26.7 by 90, with four-story brick building, eighty feet deep, with office extension on first floor thereof, rented for $1,500 per annum. The tenant holds the property brought together the sum of $136,750. The only other sale made was one by V. K. Stevenson, Son & Co., under a supreme Court foreclosure decree, G. D. Phelps, Esq., referee, of two three-story and basement high-stoop brown-stone houses and lot, latter 20 by 98.8, No. 344 Lexington-av., south side, 140 feet east of Park-av., sold for $38,000 to D. Lord, Jr., attorney for the purchaser, who is a resident of New-York, and came to City Hall, Brooklyn; terms easy; call and see before you purchase. Williamsburg and Nineteenth Ward property, real estate for sale and to rent a specialty.

O. V. HOLCOMB, No. 27 Broadway, Brooklyn, E. D.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

TO EXCHANGE, WITH CASH—A Country seat, ten acres, on the Hudson; double house, fine order, good lawn, pleasant prospect, good fruit, barn, stable, cow-house, coal-house, large chicken-house, large, fine orchard, eighty vines, fine cherries, small fruit, for two small houses in Brooklyn or house in City; none but an exceedingly good property will be paid in cash; agents need not answer unless stating property to exchange and number of same. Address EXCHANGE, Box No. 116 Times Office.

A BARGAIN, TO CLOSE AN ESTATE AT ELIZABETH.—Fine house, thirteen rooms, all improvements; stable; one acre of ground; suitable for gentleman's residence. Also a lot fronting Jefferson-place. Apply to S. T. AHERN, No. 40 Liberty-st., New-York, or to MEEKER & SONS, No. 223 Broad-st., Elizabeth.

Several small and desirable houses for sale or to let at Elizabeth.

HOTEL FOR SALE.—THE AMELIA Hotel, Amelia Court-house, Virginia, thirty miles from Richmond, on Richmond and Danville Railroad, containing sixty rooms, with brick stores on street, and 180 acres of land, adjoining depot and Court-house. Apply to A. Y. SCOTT, Amelia Court-house, Virginia, or E. B. SCHIEFFELIN, No. 15 East 26th-st., New-York.

MODEL VILLAS AND COTTAGES erected to order at reasonable prices and on easy terms. A few choice suburban lots, carefully selected with regard to healthiness and beauty of location, accessibility, &c., ready for immediate improvement. Plans, specifications, and estimates at shortest notice. RUBERT & PIRSSON, Architects, No. 191 Broadway.

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Houses, lots, farms, manufacturing sites, and buildings on the line of the Central Railroad of New-Jersey and Newark and New-York Railroads.

Apply to A. D. HOPE or ELATON MARSH, No. 119 Liberty-st.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE AT GREENWICH, CONN.—The dwelling-house of the subscriber, with five acres of land, or more if desired, fronting on main avenue, all in perfect order, requiring no outlay whatever; will be sold a great bargain. For terms, &c., apply to FRANCIS TOMES, No. 104 Broadway.

Also about eighteen acres of fine meadow, suitable for building sites, having good views, fronting on main avenue of the village, admirably located; terms very easy.

FOR SALE.—TO CLOSE AN ESTATE, FINE farm in Dutchess County, N. Y., containing 200 acres, twenty acres timber land, balance in a high state of cultivation; suitable for a milk or dairy farm; dwelling-house and barn in good condition; five minutes' walk from Dutchess and Columbia Railroad Depot; about two hours from New-York by Hudson River Railroad; terms easy. Apply to MILLON A. FOWLER, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., or RENJ. RUBROUGHS, on premises, near Brinckerhoffville, N. Y.

ORANGE, N. J.—COUNTRY HOUSES, islands, and village lots for sale; a great variety. Also furnished and unfurnished houses to let for season or year, by WALTER R. SMITH, formerly Blackwell & Smith, Orange, corner Main and Cones.

RESIDENCES IN PARIEN, STAMFORD, AND NORWALK, CONN., FOR SALE.—State the kind of place you are looking for. Address MELVILLE E. MEAD, South Norwalk, Conn.

PECONIC HOUSE, GREENPORT, L. I.—For sale or to let, unfurnished. Apply to DAVID G. FLOYD, Greenport, L. I.

STAMFORD.—COUNTRY SEAT FOR SALE. Modern house, twenty-one rooms; forty acres; $12,000 is asked to be sold. Address J. W. ATWATER, Riverside Station, Conn.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY, NO. 549 8TH-AV.

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EIGHTH-AVENUE.—The lot of land, together with the three-story frame house on the front and the brick buildings on the rear thereof, situate on the westerly side of 8th-av., between 37th and 38th sts., and known as No. 549 8th-av. Lot 18x100 feet.

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VALUABLE LOTS ON 107TH-ST. AT AUCTION.

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH-STREET.—Three lots, situate on the south side of 107th-st., commencing 100 feet west of 9th-av., each 25x100.11 feet.

STORES, &C., TO LET.

OFFICES TO LET IN TIMES BUILDING, SPLENDID OFFICES TO LET IN THE FIRE-PROOF TIMES BUILDING. Apply at TIMES COUNTING-ROOM.

TO LET.—THE FIRST-CLASS STORE NOS. 97, 99 and 101 Reade-st., being 76 feet front, with basement and sub-basement; now occupied by Jones, Underhill & Scudder. Also store Nos. 59 and 61 Reade-st., with basement and sub-basement, being 50 feet front, and near Broadway; to good tenants the rent will be low. Apply to A. HIGGINS, Jr., No. 27 Barclay-st.

A TO LET.—6 CORTLANDT-ST., North side, near Broadway, a large desirable five-story brown-stone-front store, with two large and good under-cellars of same dimensions; size, 25x115 feet. Apply to

BLACKWELL & CO., No. 55 Liberty-st.

TO LET OR LEASE WITH STEAM POWER. A plot of ground 75 feet front, including corner lot; would erect a building to suit a responsible tenant. Apply to

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BROADWAY LOFTS TO LET OR Lease.—Four lofts, together or separately, corner Broadway and Lispenard-st., well lighted, and in good order.

G. A. KISSAM, No. 6 Pine-st., basement.

STEAM POWER.—TO LET, TWO FLOORS, 80x44; good light; steam elevator; balance of building now leased to iron-workers. No. 160 West 27th-st.

TO DENTISTS.—TO LET—SMALL DENTAL laboratory; $5 per week. Address, by note, WILLIAM DAVIS, No. 15 West 20th-st.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

TO LET FURNISHED, TILL MAY 1, 1873.—Admirable three-story, high-stoop house, suitable for a first-class and small private family. Location, East 38th-st., near Madison-av. Rent, from February 1 to May 1, 1873, $800. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

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WANTED—TO BUY, OR HIRE WITH privilege of buying, a good house, eleven or twelve rooms, and not less than two acres of land; must be less than a mile from railroad station, and about an hour from New-York; New-York State preferred; price must be moderate. Apply to E. P. JOHNSON, No. 55 Liberty-st.

TO LET OR LEASE, AT GREENWICH, Conn.—A comfortable cottage; nine rooms, stable, garden, &c., in the best part of the village, on Putnam-av.; rent only $750 per year; possession April 1; will be furnished for a good tenant on a lease of three or five years. Apply to owner.

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Reading Railroad Consolidated Sevens, St. Louis, Vandalia, and Terre Haute 1st and 2d Mortgage 7s, Guaranteed. Louisville City Sevens. Houston and Great Northern and Houston and Texas Central 1st Mtge. Gold 7s.

OFFICE OF THE BREWERS' AND MALTSTERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 128 BROADWAY. NEW-YORK, Jan. 15, 1873.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors will be held at the office of the Company on MONDAY, Feb. 3, 1873. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M. W. B. OGDEN, Secretary.

NEW-YORK PRODUCE EXCHANGE, Jan. 14, 1873.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF Managers, notice is hereby given that the initiation fee in this Exchange, on and after 1st February, 1873, will be $500. JAMES W. MCCULLOH, Chairman Room Committee.

LOST.—THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED certificates of CAMDEN AND AMBOY RAILROAD STOCK—No. 3,834 for five, and No. 1,883 for one share; both in name of Joseph Sheppard. Application has been made for new certificates.

HENRY L. FELL & BRO., No. 305 Walnut-st., Philadelphia, Penn.

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The road from Indianapolis to Peoria, 202½ miles, has been in operation a little more than two years, and has established success. **Its earnings have steadily increased, giving in 1872 an excess of $395,000 over 1871. Net receipts** from this part of the line alone are **more than sufficient to respond punctually to interest on all Bonds** made and issued by the Company. It rarely occurs that this can be said of any railroad during negotiation of its securities.

The entire line of 420 miles has the support of a populous, exceedingly rich, and productive agricultural region, passes through and **connects important towns and cities**, and crosses immense deposits of good coal, all of which **insure local business of great magnitude.** Its own Western and North-western connections, substantially under same control, with prominent intersecting roads, will furnish large through traffic. The managers appreciate the necessity of unusually large equipment, and are providing for it as rapidly as possible. This, with new elevator accommodations, under construction expressly for this road, at Indianapolis, will greatly increase its facilities and **enable it to take large offered business, which it has been obliged to decline.**

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We invite the attention of capitalists to this security as a particularly desirable one, and shall be glad to furnish pamphlets, and maps, and all particulars upon application.

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NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1873.

AT AN ELECTION THIS DAY HELD, the following named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year, viz.:

FRANCIS A. PALMER, JOSEPH RUDD, JOHN S. HARRIS, WILLIAM A. HALL, HELMUS M. WELLS, HENRY L. HUGUET, FRANCIS P. SCHOALS, WARREN HARRIOT, GEORGE W. PLATT, JONA. W. ALLEN, GEORGE C. PETERS, NAHUM SULLIVAN, FRANCIS R. FURSALD, HENRY G. MOORE, CHAS. PURKHALTER, ANDREW MILLS, And JOHN LAWRENCE.

And Samuel G. Barton, Francis Rowland, and John W. Mosury were elected Inspectors of the next ensuing election.

At a meeting of the Board subsequently held F. A. Palmer, Esq., was unanimously elected President, and Charles Parkhalter, Esq., Vice-President.

J. C. EVERITT, Cashier.

LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' NATIONAL BANK, NO. 29 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1873.

AT AN ELECTION HELD THIS DAY the following-named gentlemen were unanimously re-elected Directors for the ensuing year:

William H. Macy, James Fraser, Jonathan Thorne, William M. Kingsland, John P. Nesmith, Richard M. Blatchford, R. A. Witthaus, Henry S. Fearing, R. Sands Tucker, Nicholas F. Palmer.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, NICHOLAS F. PALMER, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President.

D. L. HOLDEN, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK STATE LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY, No. 92 Broadway. NEW-YORK, Jan. 15, 1873.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR FIVE Directors will be held at the office of the Company on THURSDAY, Feb. 6, 1873. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M. E. W. LAWRENCE, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

THE

Consolidated Mortgage Bonds

OF THE

ST. LOUIS AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY CO.

(CONSOLIDATED),

of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

50 year 7 per cent., with Sinking Fund of 2 1-2 per cent. of Gross Earnings.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD IN NEW-YORK. INTEREST SEMI-ANNUALLY, FEBRUARY AND AUGUST.

This road is formed by the consolidation of the St. Louis and South-eastern, the Evansville, Henderson, and Nashville, and the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroads, and is the shortest and best possible route from ST. LOUIS and CHICAGO to NASHVILLE, MONTGOMERY, ATLANTA, MACON, MOBILE, SAVANNAH, and CHARLESTON. Its superstructure and equipments are unsurpassed by any in the West.

ITS MONTHLY EARNINGS HAVE, SINCE THE CONSOLIDATION, ALREADY REACHED AN AVERAGE OF $105,000, AND ARE AMPLE TO OPERATE THE ROAD AND PAY THE INTEREST ON THE ENTIRE BONDED DEBT.

Three hundred and fifty-eight miles of this road are completed and fully equipped. The Consolidated Bonds are issued at the rate of $21,000 per mile for the purpose of making a single debt, completing branches, and supplying equipment to meet the rapidly-increasing business. $1,600,000 have been sold, and we offer a limited number at **90 and accrued interest in currency.**

The St. Louis Board of Trade recently passed a series of resolutions expressing the opinion "THAT THIS WILL BECOME ONE OF THE BEST PAYING LINES LEADING OUT OF ST. LOUIS," congratulating the stockholders on "THE HONORABLE AND ABLE MANAGEMENT OF THE PROPERTY," expressing the belief "that THE SECURITY OFFERED BY THE CONSOLIDATED MORTGAGE BONDS TO THE AMOUNT OF $21,000 PER MILE IS GOOD, AND RECOMMENDING THEM WITHOUT HESITATION AS AN INVESTMENT TO CAPITALISTS, BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD."

Under the terms of the Consolidated Mortgage parties holding Bonds issued by the St. Louis and South-eastern Railway Company of Illinois and Indiana, or by the Evansville, Henderson, and Nashville Railroad Company, (7 per cent. currency,) are entitled to the privilege of exchanging the same for the Consolidated Bonds, and can do so upon application.

We unhesitatingly recommend these Bonds as an unexceptionable Railway Security.

Full particulars furnished, upon application, by

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,

No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York.

WINSLOW & WILSON.

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SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD, OF LONG ISLAND,

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

(EXTENSION)

FOR SALE BY

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CONVERTIBLE MIDLAND BONDS

A 7 per cent. Mortgage Bond for sale on one of the great roads running from New-York City—on THE THIRD LARGEST ROAD IN NEW-YORK STATE. The most desirable bond of all the Midland issues, affording the largest income and promising the greatest profit.

Price 85 and interest.

We believe them one of the safest and most profitable investments offered in this market for years.

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These Bonds are a first lien upon thirty-six miles of the line of road, and a first lien upon the real estate and Dock Property at Hoboken, worth the entire amount of the issue of Bonds.

Interest on the Morris and Essex Bonds and the Share Capital of about $15,000,000 are guaranteed by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway Company, which has leased the property in perpetuity. For sale by

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FIVE PER CENT. Interest Allowed on Deposits.

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Individuals or firms banking with us may deposit and draw as they please, the same as with any bank, except that we allow Five per Cent. Interest on all balances.

We buy and sell Bonds, Stocks, Gold, Business paper, and collect Business Notes and Drafts throughout the United States, giving prompt returns.

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No. 14 Wall-st.,

ANDREWS & CO., Paris,

BANKERS.

Travelers' and Commercial Credits, Circular Notes, and Exchange on Paris and UNION BANK OF LONDON. Stocks, Bonds, and Gold bought and sold on commission. RAILWAY LOANS NEGOTIATED.

10 PER CENT. KANSAS SCHOOL BONDS.
10 PER CENT. NEBRASKA SCHOOL BONDS.
10 PER CENT. NEBRASKA BONDS, GUAR'D.
8 PER CENT. BONDS, CITY ST. PAUL, MINN.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN NEW-YORK.

For sale by FITCH, OTIS & CO., Bankers, No. 11 Pine-st., New-York.

JAMES G. MING'S SONS.

BANKERS,

NO. 54 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK,

Issue LETTERS OF CREDIT upon London and Paris, available in all the principal cities on the continent.

Buy and sell Exchange on London, Paris, Amsterdam, Edinburgh, and Glasgow.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the American Metaline Company, for the election of officers and other business, will be held at the offices of Elliott, Campbell & Bell, No. 257 Broadway, New-York, on the 31st day of January, 1873, at 3 P. M.

DOUGLAS CAMPBELL, Vice-President.

JOSEPH BELL, Secretary.

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First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. GOLD BONDS.

AN EAST AND WEST AIR-LINE OF 182 MILES FROM INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, TO DECATUR, ILLINOIS, two of the largest railway centres in the West.

The WESTERN DIVISION (eighty-five miles) of this important line, opening, for the first time, direct Western communication with the

BLOCK COAL FIELDS

of Indiana, will be completed and ready for business, with an ample first-class freight and passenger equipment, by FEBRUARY, 1873.

It traverses a populous and a highly cultivated district, now without railway connections, and it is assured a profitable business from the start, in coal and farm products.

A large part of the cost of construction has been, and will in the end, be paid in cash by the stockholders and people on the line.

Bonds $1,000 each, payable in thirty years, principal and interest, in GOLD, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

Sinking Fund 2½ per cent. of gross earnings.

Whole Issue, $3,500,000, of which those now selling are on COMPLETED ROAD.

For sale at 90 and accrued interest, by the Financial Agents of the Company (of whom pamphlets and information may be obtained.)

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THE PORTLAND AND OGDENSBURG RAILROAD, VERMONT DIVISION, the shortest Trunk Line from the Lakes to the Atlantic. More than half the line in successful operation, and the balance rapidly approaching completion. Montreal fifty-seven miles nearer Portland by this route than any other. The First Mortgage Gold Bonds of this Road we recommend as combining *profit with absolute safety.* For sale or exchange for marketable securities.

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7 PER CENT. 1ST MORTGAGE GOLD BONDS, coupon and registered. Interest payable April and October, in New-York or London. This road, now making rapid progress toward completion, is the western end of the NEW AIR LINE from Chicago to Buffalo, with the best business connections at Chicago, Toledo, Detroit, and Buffalo.

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DIVIDENDS.

35th Dividend.

PHENIX Insurance Co.,

OF BROOKLYN, N. Y.

JAN. 16, 1873.

This Company has declared a SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND of FIVE (5) per Cent. payable on the 20th inst., at the Office in New-York.

No. 173 BROADWAY.

PHILANDER SHAW, SECRETARY.

42D DIVIDEND.

CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

Office No. 156 Broadway.

The Board of Directors of this Company have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per Cent., payable on and after the 6th inst.

JOHN BARRY, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1873.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY, OFFICE, 227 SOUTH 4TH ST. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23, 1872.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The transfer-books of this Company will be closed on the 31st of December next, and reopened on TUESDAY, Jan. 14, 1873.

A dividend of FIVE PER CENT. has been declared on the preferred and common stock, clear of all taxes, payable in cash on and after the 2d of January next, to the holders thereof as they stand registered on the books of the Company at the close of business on the 31st of December. All payable at this office.

Blank orders for dividends can be obtained at this office.

S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

THIRTY-SIXTH DIVIDEND. STUYVESANT FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1873.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of

SIX PER CENT.,

payable on demand, at the office, No. 122 Bowery.

GEO. B. RHOADS, Secretary.

ARE YOU INSURED?

OFFICE OF THE RUTGERS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 180 CHATHAM-SQUARE, JUNCTION WORTH AND MOTT STS.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DIVIDEND.—The Board of Directors has declared a regular dividend of EIGHT per cent., and an extra Dividend of TWO per cent., payable Feb. 1, 1873. JOS. W. DUGLISS, Secretary.

ST. LOUIS AND IRON MOUNTAIN RAILROAD COMPANY, ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 21, 1873.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS this day declared a dividend of Three per Cent. upon the stock of this Company, payable at its agency, No. 190 Broadway, New-York, on the 15th day of February, 1873, to stockholders registered at the close of business Jan. 25.

The transfer books will be closed on Saturday, Jan. 25, and reopened on Monday, Feb. 17.

H. G. MARQUAND, Vice-President.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 4, 1873.

A DIVIDEND OF THREE AND A HALF per Cent. has been declared by this Company, payable on and after Feb. 3, 1873. Stockholders registered at New-York will be paid at the office of the United States Trust Company of New-York, No. 49 Wall-st. The transfer-books will be closed from the evening of 10th inst., until Feb. 4. By order of the Board of Directors, GEO. H. RUSSELL, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE LOGANSPORT, CRAWFORDSVILLE AND SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 15, 1873.

THE QUARTERLY COUPONS due Feb. 1, 1873, of the First Mortgage Eight Per Cent. Gold Bonds of this Company will be paid on and after that day at the office of JONES & SCHUYLER, Financial Agents, No. 12 Pine-st., New-York.

J. C. ELSTON, Treasurer.

THE GERMAN-AMERICAN BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1873.

A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT., free of tax, will be paid to shareholders of this bank, on and after Feb. 1. The transfer-book will remain closed from 23d inst. to that date inclusive.

By order of the Board.

O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE HOWARD INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 56 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 15, 1873.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Three and a half per Cent. on the capital stock, payable on and after Jan. 16, 1873.

THEODORE KELLER, Secretary.

PACIFIC BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 17, 1873.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Quarterly Dividend of Three per Cent., payable on and after the 1st day of February.

H. BUCK, Cashier.

DIVIDENDS.

TWENTY-FOURTH DIVIDEND.

OFFICE OF THE

GERMANIA FIRE INS. CO.,

NO. 175 BROADWAY,

NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1873.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT. upon the capital stock, payable on demand, at the office of the Company.

HUGO SCHUMANN, Secretary.

TERRE HAUTE AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILROAD COMPANY, SECRETARY'S OFFICE, TERRE HAUTE, Jan 6, 1873.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The Board of Directors have declared a Dividend of SIX (6) PER CENT., payable to stockholders registered on the books of the Company Nov. 30, 1872.

Eastern Dividend payable at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, No. 22 Exchange-place, New-York, on and after Jan. 20, 1873.

By order of the Board.

W. R. BUCKINGHAM, Secretary.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

OFFICE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 13, 1873.

Eastern Dividends have been declared a Dividend of FIVE PER CENT. on the capital stock of this Company, payable at the National Bank of Commerce in New-York on and after Saturday, Feb. 1.

The transfer-books are now closed and will remain closed until Wednesday, Feb. 5.

By order of the Board.

JAMES C. HARTT, Treasurer.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

FIREMEN'S TRUST INSURANCE COMPANY, OF BROOKLYN.

OFFICE, No. 36 COURT-ST., BROOKLYN, NO. 40 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 13, 1873.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, a Semi-annual Dividend of (5) FIVE PER CENT. was declared, payable on demand.

C. D. MILDEBERGER, Secretary.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF the American Coal Company, of Allegany County, Maryland, has this day declared a Dividend of Eight per Cent., payable in scrip, on the 10th day of March next, to the stockholders or their legal representatives, as registered on the books of the Company on the evening of the 28th of February.

The transfer-books will close on the evening of the 28th February, and open on the morning of the 11th of March. M. A. MYERS, Secretary.

JAN. 21, 1873.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

HOUSE-WORK OR NURSE.—BY A neat, tidy young woman; is able to do good plain family sewing; prefers to be generally useful in a home; wants a good steady place at moderate wages; will give good recommendations for honesty, respectability, &c. Call at No. 138 West 11th-st., corner 6th-av.

HOUSE-WORK.—BY A GOOD, WELL-recommended German, to go general housework; is a good cook, washer, and ironer. Apply at No. 117 Norfolk-st., or M. Hirsch.

LADY'S MAID.—BY AN EXCELLENT maid and dress-maker; underwaists perfectly hair-dressing; best of City references. Call or address No. 406 6th-av., French Office.

LAUNDRESS.—BY A THOROUGHLY COMpetent young woman, who is willing to do everything required as a private family or boarding-house; expects a good home and will work for moderate wages; best City references from former employer. Call at No. 138 West 11th-st., corner 6th-av.

LAUNDRESS.—BY A VERY RESPECTable woman, as first-class hundress; French starching, polishing, plaiting, and all kinds of fine work in the best manner; will assist in chamber-work if required; country preferred; best City references. Apply at No. 236 6th-av.

LAUNDRESS.—HIGHLY RECOMMENDED by her present employer, as to the goodness she can be seen; is capable of filling a first-class situation. Apply at the Intelligence Office, No. 437 6th-av., between 26th and 27th sts., upstairs.

LAUNDRESS.—A COMPETENT RESPECTable girl, who is willing to do a little sewing, would go out the three days of the week; knows how to iron; stands fitting; good City reference. Call at No. 253 West 37th-st., third floor, over butcher's store.

LAUNDRESS.—BY A FIRST-CLASS LAUNdress; has excellent references as to her capability. Call or address No. 405 3d-av., French Office.

LAUNDRESS.—A COMPETENT LAUNdress; good references; can be seen at her present home. Mrs. BURNS, No. 137 West 28th-st.

LAUNDRESS.—BY AN EXCELLENT washer, to go out by the day or the month. Call at No. 109 West 15th-st., rear.

LAUNDRESS.—BY A PROTESTANT woman as first-class laundress; excellent references. Call for two days at No. 222 East 32d-st.

NURSE.—A STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS INfant's nurse desires a permanent situation; is a good seamstress; has a child with her; is willing to travel; is neat and genteel, careful and obliging; undoubted City references for ability and character. Apply at Intelligence Office, No. 437 6th-av., between 26th and 27th sts., upstairs.

NURSE.—BY THOROUGHLY COMPEtent woman, who is fond of children; would take care of an infant or growing children, a situation; first-class City reference can be given from parties who may be seen. Inquire for M. W., at Odell's, No. 109 West 34th-st., near Broadway.

NURSE.—BY A PROTESTANT WOMAN with long experience and unquestionable City references that will bear the strictest investigation, to take charge of an infant or growing children. Inquire for L. McF., at Odell's, No. 109 West 34th-st., near Broadway.

NURSE AND CHAMBER-MAID, OR Seamstress.—By a most respectable woman; good seamstress; understands the care of children, and assist in chamber-work; is neat and tidy; best of references. Call at No. 231 6th-av., first floor.

NURSE.—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG Protestant French girl, who is a good plain seamstress; is able to take care of children, and have good references. Call 421 6th-av., first floor.

NURSE.—A RESPECTABLE WOMAN WITH a fresh breast of milk wishes a situation as wet-nurse. Apply at No. 180 Thomp-on-st., top floor.

NURSE.—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, as wet nurse, whose infant is two weeks old. Apply at No. 340 42d-st.

SEAMSTRESS AND LADY'S MAID.—Is fully competent to fill a first-class situation; a thorough dress-maker,

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BOYS' SUITS in every style, much reduced in price, suitable for SCHOOL WEAR or DRESS.

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And every following WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY from New-York.

Steamers marked thus * do not carry steerage passengers.

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Return tickets on favorable terms.
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Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.
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THE SPLENDID NEW IRON STEAM-SHIP CALABRIA, 2,500 tons burden, Capt. Wm. Grant, will leave Jersey City at 11½ A. M. on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 22, 1873. CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

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ARABIC.....THURSDAY, Jan. 30, at 2½ A. M.
OCEANIC.....SATURDAY, Feb. 8, at 3 A. M.
BALTIC.....SATURDAY, Feb. 15, at 2:30 A. M.
CELTIC.....SATURDAY, Feb. 22, at 1 P. M.

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CASPIAN, MORRELL.....Wednesday, Feb. 5
GREECE, THOMAS.....Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 3 P. M.
EGYPT, GIBSON.....Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 9 A. M.

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Excursion tickets at reduced rates.

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THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron-screw steam-ships from PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY, as follows:

IDAHO Capt. MORGAN.....Jan. 22, at 12 M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. T. F. FREEMAN, Jan. 29, at 2½ P. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. J. S. PRICE.....Feb. 5, at 12 M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. C. W. FARMAN, Feb. 12, at ——
NEVADA, Capt. FORSYTH.....Feb. 19, at ——
WYOMING, Capt. PRICE.....Feb. 26, at ——

Cabin passage, $80, gold.
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STEAM-SHIP LINE.

NEW-YORK TO BRISTOL, (ENG.)

Taking goods and passengers for London, Cardiff, Newport, Gloucester, and all ports in Bristol Channel.

THE FINE STEAM-SHIP OF THIS LINE WILL SAIL FROM PIER NO. 13 EAST RIVER, as follows:

GREAT WESTERN, STAMPES.....Wednesday, Feb. 12
ARRAGON, WATTERS.....Wednesday, Feb. 26

Cabin passage, $80 currency, $30 currency.

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FOR HAVANA AND NASSAU, N. P.

Atlantic Mail Steam-ship Company, sailing every fortnight, on THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.

MORRO CASTLE, Capt. H. MORTON, Thurs. Jan. 9
COLUMBIA, Capt. T. S. CURTIS, Thursday.....Jan. 23
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. H. MORTON, Thurs. Feb. 6

For freight or passage apply to

A. W. DIMOCK, President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

DIRECT LINE TO HAVANA.

HAVANA, PROGRESO AND VERA CRUZ.

New-York and Mexican Mail Steam-ship Line, leaving Pier 8 N. River, at 3 P. M., every Thursday.

CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana only).....Jan. 9
CLEOPATRA, Phillips (Havana only).....Jan. 23
CITY OF MEXICO, Sherwood.....Feb. 6
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana only).....Feb. 13.

For freight or passage apply to

F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 33 Broadway.

FOR PUERTA PLATA, SAMANA, AND PORT Dominico City.—The United States mail Steam-ship TYBEE, Capt. Delaney, will leave Pier No. 4 North River on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 29, at 3 P. M. Bills of exchange on Puerta Plata, Samana, and Port Dominico City, in sums to suit purchasers, for sale. For freight or passage apply to

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The next steamer of this line

GLAMORGAN, Capt. Laybourne,

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Carrying goods and passengers at through rates from all parts of the United States and Canada to ports in the Bristol Channel and all other points in England.

These steam-ships, built expressly for the trade, are provided with all the latest improvements for the comfort and convenience of

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First Cabin.....$75 and $85 currency
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Steerage.....20 currency
Prepaid steerage certificates from Cardiff.....$30

Drafts for $1 and upward.

For further particulars apply, in Cardiff at the Company's offices, No. 1 Dock Chambers—and in New-York, to

ARCHIBALD BAXTER & CO. Agents, No. 17 Broad-way.

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FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS, AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

Sailing every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, from Pier No. 2 North River, at 3 P. M.

The steam-ships

CHARLESTON, Capt. JAS. BERRY, Tuesday, Jan. 21.
SOUTH CAROLINA, Capt. T. J. BECKETT, Thurs. Jan. 23.
CHAMPION, Capt. R. W. LOCKWOOD, Saturday, Jan. 25

Superior accommodations for passengers. Through passage tickets and bills of lading issued in connection with the South Carolina Railroads to all points South and South-west, and over the North-eastern Railroad to Florence, Cheraw, and all points on the Cheraw and Darlington Railroad, and with steamers to Florida ports. Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT. Goods forwarded free of commission. Bills of lading furnished and stored at the office. General Freight Office, No. 277 West-st., corner of Warren-st.

HENRY R. MORGAN & CO., Agents.

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BENTLEY D. HASELL, General Agent Great Southern Freight Line, No. 277 Broadway.

EXTRA STEAMERS WILL BE DISPATCHED AS SOON AS LOADED.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY'S LINE TO

CALIFORNIA, JAPAN AND CHINA,

VIA PANAMA

CARRYING MAILS, PASSENGERS, AND FREIGHT TO

ASPINWALL, PANAMA, SANTA MARTHA, GREYTOWN, AND PACIFIC COAST OF MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, PERU, AND CHILI.

Steamers leave on 10th, 20th, and 30th of each month, except when those dates fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

Jan. 30, 1873—Steamer OCEAN QUEEN, Capt. SEABURY, will leave Pier No. 42 North River at 12 o'clock noon for Aspinwall direct, connecting at Panama with the steamer GREAT REPUBLIC, Capt. CAVARLY, touching at Acapulco, Manzanillo, and Magdalena, and also connecting for all Central American and South Pacific ports. Departures of 10th and 20th each month connect with the Company's steamer, touching at San Benito, Tonsta, Salina Cruz, and Port Angel.

Steamer COLORADO will leave San Francisco Feb. 1, 1873, for Japan and China. For rates of passage, freight, and all further information apply at Company's office on the pier, foot of Canal-st.

F. R. BABY, Agent.

INMAN LINE FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Saturday, Jan. 25, 9 P. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Feb. 1, 9 A. M.
CITY OF BRISTOL.....Thursday, Feb. 6, 4 P. M.
CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, Feb. 8, 2 P. M.
CITY OF MONTREAL.....Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 A. M.

and each succeeding SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

CABIN, $75 and $80 gold, according to accommodations. Round trip tickets at low rates.

STEERAGE, to or from Liverpool, Queenstown, Glasgow, Londonderry, London, Bristol or Cardiff, $30 currency.

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Paris, at reduced rates.

Drafts issued at lowest rates.

For Cabin Passage and general business apply at the Company's office, No. 15 Broadway.

For Steerage Passage, at No. 33 Broadway.

JOHN G. DALE, Agent.

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UNITED STATES MAIL LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE TO JAMAICA, VENEZUELA, WEST INDIES, AND SPANISH MAIN.

The Company's first-class iron steamers will be dispatched (unless prevented by unforeseen circumstances) with the mails in January as follows, loading at Pier 14 North River:

The ST. THOMAS, Capt. DRAKEFORD, on the 19th, at 1 P. M., for Port-au-Prince, Curaçoa, Puerto Cabello, and Laguayra.

For freight or passage apply to

PIM, FORWOOD & CO., No. 33 Wall-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.,

THE FLORIDA PORTS, AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE.

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TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

THE STEAM-SHIPS

GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MALLORY, THURS. Jan. 23, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green.

MONTGOMERY, Capt. FAIRCLOTH, SATURDAY, Jan. 25, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.

H. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 93 West-st.

SAN JACINTO, Capt. HAZARD, SATURDAY, Jan. 25, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green.

VIRGO, Capt. BULKLEY, TUESDAY, Jan. 28, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.

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REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month.

MERRIMACK, Capt. WEBB.....Jan. 23, '73
ERIE, Capt. TUKLEPAUGH.....Feb. 23
ONTARIO, Capt. SLOCUM.....March 23

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the extra use of a courier, should never leave Paris without one. Their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from the multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage, in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition and an infinity of annoyances, to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

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No. 292 PEARL-STREET,

Near Beekman-st., NEW-YORK.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK, NEW-HAVEN, AND HARTFORD RAILROAD

NEW-YORK AND NEW-HAVEN DIVISION.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT,

COMMENCING NOV. 21, 1872.

Passenger Station in New-York, Grand Central Depot. Entrance on 42d st.

TRAINS LEAVE NEW-YORK.

For New-Haven, 7:05, 8:05 (Ex.,) 11:35 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.,) 3:05 (Ex.,) 3:55, 4:35, 5:30, 8:05 (Ex.,) and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.

For Bridgeport, 7:05, 8:05 (Ex.,) 9:05, 11:35 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.,) 3:05 (Ex.,) 3:55 4:35, 5:30, 8:05 (Ex.,) and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.

For Milford and Stratford, 7:05, 11:35 A. M.; 3:55, 4:35, and 5:30 P. M.

For Fairfield, Southport, and Westport, 7:05, 9:05, 11:35 A. M.; 3:55, 4:35, and 5:30 P. M.

For South Norwalk, 7:05, 9:05 (Ex.,) 9:05, 11:35 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.,) 3:05 (Ex.,) 3:55, 4:35, 5:30, 8:05 (Ex.,) and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.

For Darien, 7:05, 9:05, 11:35 A. M.; 3:55, 4:35, 5:30, and 8:05 P. M.

For Stamford, 7:05, 8:05 (Ex.,) 9:05, 10:05, 11:35 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.,) 2:05, 3:05 (Ex.,) 3:55, 4:35 (Ex.,) 4:53, 5:30, 6:05, 6:35, 7:23, 8:05 (Ex.,) stopping at New-Rochelle and Port Chester, and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M., stopping at Mount Vernon, Mamaroneck, and Rye.

For Greenwich and intermediate stations, 7:05, 9:05, 10:05, 11:35 A. M.; 2:23, 3:55, 4:53, 5:30, 6:05, 6:35, 7:23 P. M.

Sunday mail-train leaves Grand Central Depot, 42d-st. New-York, at 7:05 P. M., for Boston, via Springfield line, stopping at New-Rochelle, Port Chester, Stamford, South Norwalk, and Bridgeport, and at 9:10 P. M., for Boston via Shore Line, stopping at Mount Vernon, Mamaroneck, and Rye.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT NEW-YORK.

For Boston, via Springfield, 3:05 A. M.; 2:05 and 8:05 P. M.

For Boston, via shore Line, 12:22, 9:10 P. M.

For Hartford and Springfield, 8:05 A. M.; 12:22, 3:05, and 8:05 P. M.

For Newport, R. I., 8:05 A. M.

For Connecticut River Railroad, 8:05 A. M., 12:22 P. M. to Greenfield; 3:05 P. M. to Montreal and White Mountains.

For Hartford, Providence, and Fishkill Railroad, 8:05 A. M.; 12:22 P. M.

For Shore Line Railway, at 8:05 A. M. to Norwich and Providence, 12:22, 3:05 to New-London and Norwich, and 9:10 P. M. Boston Ex.

For Connecticut Valley Railroad, 8:05 A. M. and 3:05 P. M.

For New-Haven and Northampton Railroad, 8:05 A. M.; 3:05 P. M. to Northampton and Williamsburg.

For New-Haven, Middletown, and Willimantic Railroad, (All-line,) 8:05 A. M. and 3:05 P. M.

For Housatonic Railroad, 8:05 A. M. and 3:05 P. M.

For Naugatuck Railroad, 8:05 A. M., 3:05 P. M., and 4:35 P. M. to Waterbury.

For Danbury and Norwalk Railroad, 7:05, 8:05, and 9:05 A. M.; 12:22 and 4:35 P. M.

For Shepaug Valley Railroad, via Danbury and Norwalk R. R., 8:05 A. M. and 4:35 P. M.

For New-Canaan Railroad, 8:05 A. M.; 12:22, 4:35, and 5:30 P. M.

Commodious sleeping-cars attached to 8:05 and 9:10 P. M. trains, and also to Sunday Mail trains on either line. Drawing-room cars attached to the 8:05 A. M., 12:22, and 3:05 P. M. trains.

Passengers can procure tickets to any point reached over this road at the Grand Central Depot, corner 42d-st and 4th-av.; also at the offices of the New-York Transfer Co., (Dodds' Express,) No. 944 Broadway, and No. 1 Court-st., Brooklyn; and by leaving suitable notice can have their baggage called for and checked from residence to destination.

JOHN T. MOODY, Supt N. Y. & N. H. Div.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:

Express for Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West, and South, with Pullman Palace Cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 5, 7, and 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 5, 7, 8:30 P. M.

For Baltimore, Washington, and the South at 9 A. M., 1, 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.

Express for Philadelphia, 8, 9, 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 1, 4, 5, 6, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 6, 8:30, and 9 P. M.

For Philadelphia, via Kensington, at 7 A. M. and 2 P. M.

Emigrant and second class, 7:15 P. M.

For Newark at 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8, 8:10, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 8:10, 8:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10, 9, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M. Sunday, 5:20, 6, 8:10, 9 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8, 8:10, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12 M., 12:30, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 8:10, 8:30, 7:30, 8:10, 9, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M. Sunday, 5:20, 6, and 8:10 P. M.

For Plainfield, 6, 8:30, 9, 10, 9:30, and 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 8:30, 7:30, 8:10, 10 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20 and 6 P. M.

For Woodbridge and Perth Amboy, 6 and 10 A. M., 2:30, 3:40, and 5:20 P. M.

For New-Brunswick, 7, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 3, 4:10, 5:20, 6, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 6 and 9 P. M.

For East Millstone, 7 A. M., 12 M., 4:10 and 5:20 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9 A. M. and 3 P. M.

For Phillipsburg and Belvidere, 2 and 4 P. M.

Accommodation for Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, at 10:30 A. M., 12:30, 4, and 6 P. M.

For Freehold, 7, 8 A. M., 2 and 6 P. M.

For Jamesburg, Pemberton, Camden, 6 A. M., 3:40 P. M.

Trains arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:50 A. M., 1:05 P. M., daily; 10:14 A. M. and 6:34 P. M., daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, 6:40 A. M., 4:54, 10:12 P. M.; Sunday 6:40 A. M. From Philadelphia, 2:21, 5:55, 7:10, 8:34, 11:54 A. M., 2:14, 3:54, 6:04, 8:43 P. M.; Sunday, 5:21, 6:40, 11:04 A. M.

Ticket offices, Nos. 526, 455, 271, and 944 Broadway; No. 1 Astor House, and foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. Emigrant Ticket-office, 7 Battery-place.

D. M. BOYD, Jr., Gen. Pass. Agent.
A. J. CASSETT, General Manager.

NEW-YORK MIDLAND RAILWAY.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT, taking effect Dec. 2, 1872.

Trains leave foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts. as follows:

For New-Durham and Maywood—7, 9:10, 10:30 A. M.; 1, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 11:30 P. M.

For Hackensack, Paterson, Hawthorne, Midland Park, and Wortendyke—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 3:30, 4:30, 6:30, 11:30 P. M.

For Ridgefield Park, Bogota, Rochelle, Dundee Lake, Market Street, and Riverside—7, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 11:30 P. M.

For Weykoff, Pompton, and Montclair Junction—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30 P. M.

For Campgaw, Oakland, Bloomingdale, and West Bloomingdale—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 4:30, 5:30 P. M.

For Smith Mills, Char otteburg, Stockholm, Snuffstown, Ogdensburg, and Quarryville—7, 9:10 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.

For New-Foundland, Franklin, Hamburg, Deckertown, Unionville, West Town, Monsons, Slate Hill, Middletown, and Bloomingburg—7, 9:10 A. M.; 3:30, 4:30 P. M.

For Pine Bush, Huntsboro, Salisbury, Monticello, Liberty, Parksville, and Shinville—10 A. M.; 3:30 P. M.

Returning, leave Liberty Falls at 6:55 A. M., 1:25 P. M.; Ellenville, 7:42 A. M., 2:15 P. M.; Middletown, 8, 8:55 A. M., 3:37, 5:45 P. M.; West Bloomingdale, 7 8:20 A. M., 4:30, 6:30 P. M.; New-York, 7:37, 9, 11:22 A. M., 2:37, 4:05, 6:58, 10:50 P. M.; Paterson, 7:43, 8:47, 7:55, 9:19, 11:38 A. M., 2:57, 4:24, 7:15, 11:12 P. M.

Arriving in New-York at 6:55, 8, 9:10, 10:30 A. M.; 12:30, 4:10, 5:40, 8:40 P. M. Sundays, 10:30 A. M.

MONTCLAIR DIVISION.

Trains leave New-York, foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts., for Montclair, Pompton, and intermediate stations, 9:10 A. M., 4:30 P. M. For Montclair and intermediate stations, 3:30 P. M. Arrive, 8 and 9:10 A. M., 4:10 P. M.

‡ Does not run beyond Middletown.
* Does not run beyond Hawthorne.
† Does not run beyond Bloomingburg.

C. W. DOUGLASS, Superintendent.
WM. H. WEED, General Ticket Agent.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL & HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Commencing on Monday, Nov. 4, 1872. Through Trains will leave Grand Central Depot.

8.00 A. M., Chicago and Montreal Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St. Albans.

10.30 A. M., Special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

10.45 A. M., Northern and Western Express.

3.40 P. M., Special Express for Albany and Troy.

4.00 P. M., Montreal Express, with sleeping-cars from New-York to St. Albans.

6.00 P. M., Albany Express, with sleeping-cars for Watertown and Canandaigua.

8.00 P. M., Pacific Express, with sleeping-cars for Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls; also, for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads. This train runs on Sundays.

11.00 P. M., Express, with sleeping-cars for Troy and Albany.

C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY.

On and after MONDAY, Jan. 13, trains will leave James slip as follows: (Leave 34th-st., East River, fifteen minutes later.)

8:30 A. M.—Greenport Mail.
10:30 A. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, and Locust Valley trains.
12:30 P. M.—Jamaica Accommodation.
3 P. M.—Riverhead and Sag Harbor Express trains. (Through to Greenport on Saturdays.)
4 P. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, and Locust Valley Express trains.
5 P. M.—Hempstead Express.
6 P. M.—Northport and Roslyn way trains.

All trains connect at Jamaica with East New-York, and at Mineola with Hempstead.

STEAMBOATS.

NEW WINTER LINE BY STEAMBOAT AND RAILROAD.

To HARTFORD, MIDDLETOWN, and all the towns along the CONNECTICUT VALLEY, connecting at Saybrook, with the new Valley Railroad. The steamers consist of the SHORE OF NEW-YORK, CITY OF HARTFORD, and GRANITE STATE; one of which leaves Pier No. 24 East River, (Peck slip,) daily (Sundays excepted,) at 3 o'clock P. M.

The cars of the Valley road run alongside of the boats at Saybrook.

Passengers are not subjected to the annoyance and danger of going to and from 42d-st., nor to expensive hack-hire, or a LONG WALK, to reach the cars at Saybrook.

The boats and cars on this route are first-class. PASSENGERS and FREIGHT taken as low AS BY ANY OTHER LINE WHATEVER.

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SAXTON & SEABURY, Freight Agents, 113 South-st.

FALL RIVER LINE FOR BOSTON, via NEWPORT.—The steamers EMPIRE STATE and OLD COLONY, from Pier 28 North River, foot of Murray-street, daily (Sundays excepted) at 4 P. M. Tickets sold to principal points in New-England, the White Mountains, and Provinces.

A. F. BACON, Superintendent.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15. Trains north and east at 11 P. M.

FOR BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroad.—Fare, $1. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 12 noon, and 12 night.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

OFFICE OF THE

BOARD OF PHARMACY

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK, University Building, Room No. 20, University-place, New-York.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Pharmacists of this City (assistants and proprietors) who are not registered, or who are liable to examination, that the Board of Pharmacy will be in session for examination and registration, on the 3d, 4th, and 5th days of February, between the hours of 3 and 5 P. M.; also, that the Secretary will sit on the first and third Monday of each month, for registration, between 3 and 4 o'clock P. M. WILLIAM NEBERGALL, M. D., President.
FRANCIS H. WEISMANN, M. D., Secretary.
PAUL BALLUFF,
THEODORE DIEDERICHSEN,
MARLIUS SMITH, M. D.

AUCTION SALES.

VALUABLE

RAILROAD PROPERTY FOR SALE.

THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina, at the November term, 1872, thereof, at Asheville, in a proceeding there pending in equity to foreclose a mortgage mentioned in the pleadings between Henry Clews and Hiram Sibley, plaintiffs, against the Western North Carolina Railroad Company and other defendants, the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Court at the said above-mentioned November term thereof, will sell, at the railroad depot of the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, at SALISBURY, ON SATURDAY, THE 22D DAY OF FEBRUARY NEXT, AT PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR CASH, ALL THE FRANCHISES, ROAD, ROAD-BED, ROLLING STOCK, AND PROPERTY OF EVERY KIND AND DESCRIPTION BELONGING TO THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD COMPANY.

Creditors may bid for the property, and such bidders, after paying a sufficient amount of the purchase money in cash to pay the costs and expenses incurred in the proceeding in equity above mentioned, and for the execution of the trust, &c., may be credited with their debts in payment if the amount for which the property shall sell is sufficient to pay the debts, otherwise pro rata.

When the Western connections of this road are completed it will be one of the most important and profitable railroad properties in the South.

The length of the road from Salisbury to Asheville, N. C., is 142 miles—of which 118 is completed and running to Old Fort, McDowell County, at the eastern base of the Blue Ridge. The remainder of the road, twenty-seven miles, is mostly graded.

The cash cost and valuation of the property is

About.....$4,000,000
The floating debt.....250,000
Upon the road is a first mortgage of.....1,400,000

For any further information address the Commissioners,

B. S. GAITHER,
at Morganton, N. C.
MARCUS ERWIN
at Asheville, N. C.

JAN. 4, 1873.

SHERIFF'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST.—Whereas, on the 6th day of May, A. D. 1871, "The German Publishing Company," a corporation duly established, and Robert J. Rombauer, both of the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, by their deed of that date, recorded in the Recorder's office of St. Louis County, in book 433, page 1, conveyed to me, the undersigned, of the same place, the following-described personal property, situated in building No. 211, on the north side of Market-street, between Second and Third streets in the City of St. Louis aforesaid, commonly known as the German Publishing Company's place of business, to wit: One Hoe cylinder press, 37x53; one boiler with double flues, 20 feet by 42 inches diameter; one twenty-horse power steam-engine, and pipe-pump and fixtures, one counting-machine, and all the belting, fixtures, tools, utensils, and furniture, now in the engine-room of the above premises; also one super-royal Hoe cylinder press, one Cap Gordon press, one Wells press, largest size, one double super-royal Washington hand press, one proof-press, one dry-press, one cutting-machine, one card cutter, two thousand five hundred and twenty-three (2,523) pounds, more or less, of ornamental and standard type, German and English letters, two hundred and twenty-five (225) pounds, more or less, of music type, and all the fixtures, tools, apparatus, and furniture now in the job-room of the above-described premises, and all the wood type in said room; also the cutting, ruling and sawing machines, cutting, finishing and backing presses, thirty-six pounds of type, more or less; and all the fixtures, tools, utensils, furniture, and apparatus now in the binding-room of the above-described premises; also all the fixtures, tools, utensils, furniture, and apparatus contained now in the newspress room of the above-described premises, and three thousand three hundred pounds, more or less, of standard and ornamental type therein contained; also all the fixtures, furniture, and matter now in the office and editorial rooms of the above-described premises, and the library therein contained; also the good will of the German Publishing Company and of the News Welt, a daily and weekly newspaper published in the City of St. Louis; which conveyance was made to secure the payment of certain debt and bonds therein mentioned and described, and the assessments of insurance on the amount of said debt and bonds, &c., and whereas said debt remains due and unpaid; and the said Christoph A. Stifel, said trustee, has neglected and refused to complete the performance of the duties imposed on him by said deed; and for default in payment of said debt, deed of trust, in case default be made in payment of said debt and bonds, or a failure to perform other covenants therein, the said party of the second part, or in case of his death, refusal to act, &c., then authorized to sell, and a sale be desired by the holder of said bonds, then the Sheriff of the county might proceed to sell, &c.; and the Circuit Court of St. Louis County did, on the 21st day of December, A.D. 1872, make an order appointing the Sheriff of St. Louis County trustee to execute said deed of trust in lieu and place of said original trustee, with all the power and authority vested in said original trustee, as therefore, notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Sheriff of St. Louis County, Missouri, at the request of the legal holder of said bonds, and in pursuance of said trust and the order of said Court, will, on

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THE CHARTER.

Recommendations of the Committee of Seventy—Heads of the Argument to be Delivered at Albany.

The following is the report of the Committee on Legislation, appointed from the Committee of Seventy, upon amendments to the City charter. It will be seen that some of the objections to the Republican charter amendments are of vital and others of minor importance:

The Committee on Legislation, to whom was submitted the subject of amendments to the proposed charter, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have taken the subject into as full consideration as the brief time allowed to us would permit. Only a single meeting of the Committee has been possible.

We approached this subject with no disposition to make captious objections to the proposed charter. We recognise the fact that the gentlemen who proposed it were allied with us at the late election in the cause of Reform. We believe that the Legislature is sincerely desirous to give this City such a charter as the interests of the people require. Our main office, then, is to make such suggestions as will perfect the scheme that has been presented. In it there are many clauses that we approve heartily. In a number of respects, it is far in advance of any plan that has preceded it. We deem it, however, to be susceptible of material improvement. There are grave objections to some of its provisions, and in respect to them we must insist, in the most emphatic terms that we can command, that the proposed charter should be amended. We have prepared amendments, accompanying this report, to carry out our intent.

The leading points on which we lay stress are these:

I. The proposed charter confers on the Mayor the power of nomination of the heads of Departments and certain other City officers, but requires that the consent of the Aldermen should be obtained to their appointment. Your Committee believe that this is a vicious arrangement. It is true that there is an apparent analogy between this method and that adopted by the Federal Constitution, in associating with the President of the United States the Senate. The analogy is only apparent. The practical working of such a scheme in a city will tend to political combinations for office-holding and to jobbery. If an unworthy officer is appointed there is no distinct person upon whom to fasten the responsibility. Our proposition is to give the Mayor the unrestricted power of appointment. He should make him, in truth, the executive officer of the City. The Commissioners will be his subordinates and instruments. Our object is to fasten upon him the responsibility for the City's government. He may, however, err in judgment, and select an officer unworthy of his confidence. To this end we would give him the general power of removal, only justifying it with the provision that the removal should be for cause. We require that he should give his reasons in writing, file them and publish them in the City newspaper to be established by the charter, the "City Record." In this publicity, there is apparently a sufficient check against a mere wanton exercise of power in the case of removal, while he still remains, in the last resort, only responsible to his own conscience and to public opinion.

Under such a scheme as this the people can fairly demand of so great an officer the most perfect fidelity to his trust, and insist upon a rigid accounting by him of his stewardship. If in no argument against this plan to urge that it is susceptible of abuse. That is the danger in the case of all power. The real inquiry is, whether the grant of power is necessary, and, whether it is reasonably guarded, and whether there is a due opportunity to fasten responsibility on the officer who abuses power. It is unnecessary for us to refer in any detail to the reasons why the chief executive officer of a great city should be able to act with celerity, with vigor, and, in certain emergencies, to concentrate his entire force with fixed resolution upon a single point. Then give him the necessary power on all its breadth, and when the crisis is past, if he has done a wrong, turn the public reprobation upon him in all its intensity. Such a scheme as this makes the office important—scarcely second to the President of the United States. Inferior men may aspire to such an office, but they will find it difficult to reach it, for able and competent men will cause them to stand aside.

It should be added that there never was, in our history, a more favorable time to test the correctness of this political theory; and we firmly believe that, under the present Mayor, such an example of efficient and honest administration would be set; that the people would insist hereafter on the election of competent men and on faithful service. At all events, our scheme will give the people the power to have such service. If they are too lazy or corrupt to avail themselves of the opportunity, no plan of government can be so cunningly devised as to save them from the consequences of their own inactivity and vices. We rejoice in the fact that the proposed charter maintains that we are no more to be governed at Albany, but solely by ourselves. We think, in framing a scheme of self-government, it does not vest executive power with sufficient boldness in the city's Chief Magistrate.

On general scheme your Committee was entirely unanimous. Some of its members would have excepted the Board of Police from its operation. They were of the opinion that the Police power entered so intimately into the relations of the people of the entire State to the City that it is not to be proper that the Governor, in that case, should have the power of removal, or, at least, participate in it, but the majority preferred to have a uniform plan applicable to all the Commissioners of Departments.

II. The next respect in which an amendment is proposed is in the term of office of the Commissioners of Departments. Our plan is that they should have the same tenure of office with the Mayor. His term of office is two years. He will thus have the power to select all of them at the commencement of his term. The plan is in accordance with our general theory of the Mayor's responsibility, as before explained. To secure this is deemed to be of more importance than any benefits which may be derived from the classification of the Commissioners in such a way that one is to go out of office in each year. A minority of our Committee would have given a longer term to the Commissioners of Police and of the Health Department, but the majority decided to make the term of office in all cases alike.

III. The proposed charter, in its sixty-fifth section, makes a distinction based upon no sufficient reason in regard to the removal of existing heads of Departments. There is a sweeping clause of removal, excepting in the case of the Controller, the Commissioners of Public Works, the President of the Park Commission, and the Corporation Counsel. This provision is opposed to the main theory of the Mayor's power, on which this Committee has proceeded in their recommendation in this report.

The reasons of it may, perhaps, be found in the following sentence in the report of the Committee which drafted the proposed charter:

"Acting as Republicans, we have not proceeded to be indifferent to the wishes or interests of the party."

While we cannot object to that position as coming from a Republican committee, we do think emphatically protest against the indorsement by the Legislature of any clause of the charter framed on that principle. We demand that this whole subject shall be taken out of the sphere of party politics. It would be utopian to suppose that party interests will not to a greater or less extent influence the practical administration of Municipal affairs. We do insist, however, that partisanship shall not be enshrined in the organic law. Your Committee was unanimous that all the heads of Departments should go out of office at the same time.

IV. The next subject for our consideration was the authority of the various heads of Departments over the bureaus and their power of appointment of subordinates.

We cheerfully concede the general proposition that the heads of Departments should have the power of appointment and removal. But the power of removal should be qualified where the general efficiency of the Department would be impaired by its unrestricted exercise. There are cases, for example, in the Police, Fire, and Health Departments, where the power of removal should be limited. It should be exercised only on inquiry, judicial in its nature, on specific charges.

The thirty-first section of the proposed charter transgresses this plain rule in respect to the Police force. It permits the Board of Police, by a unanimous vote, to remove any captain, sergeant, surgeon, or patrolman, on his own request in writing, and to place the dismissed person on the pension roll of the Police Life Insurance Fund. When the officer is thus dismissed, he can have a pension not exceeding one-half his salary, and when a patrolman is dismissed, a like pension not exceeding four hundred dollars. When the member of the Police force does not consent to be dismissed, the Board have still the power of dismissal by giving him written notice of their intention to dismiss him, and by obtaining a certificate of two Police surgeons that the person is permanently, morally, or physically incapacitated from performing his duties, and the nature of the incapacity is stated in the resolution dismissing him.

This section seems to us susceptible of great abuse. Under its provisions a member of the Police force may consent to be dismissed a few hours after his appointment, and receive a comfortable provision under the pension roll. That part of the section permitting a dismissal against the member's will, on the certificate of surgeons, puts the entire Police force, with the exception of the Superintendent, at the mercy of a partisan Board, and makes them hold their office by the uncertain tenure of the majority of the hour. This clause, in its practical effect, would be highly demoralizing to the force in every respect and pernicious to the welfare of the City. It should be stricken out, and the existing section should remain. For like reasons, we seriously object to a clause in the fifteenth section which confers on heads of Departments in certain cases power to consolidate bureaus established by law. This power might be used summarily to dismiss parties obnoxious to the heads of Departments, and then introduce others by another clause which allows heads of Departments to change the duties of any bureau. It is an unlimited and very dangerous power, and the clause should be stricken out.

We also object strongly to the provision that the heads of Departments should fix the salaries of the clerks, officers, and employes in their respective Departments, (fifteenth section,) and that the Controller should have no power to dispute the amount of such salary, (sixteenth section.) The action of the heads of Departments is thus absolutely conclusive. The power is susceptible of great abuse. We propose to make the salaries, subject to the approval of the Board of Apportionment, under the checks hereafter referred to.

Section 32 of the charter should be amended so as to give to the Department of Public Works a Board of three Commissioners, instead of a single Commissioner. There does not appear to be any reason why this power should not be vested in three persons, as is the case in most of the other Departments. The authority conferred upon this Department is very extensive, and prudence would dictate that it should be distributed among a number of persons.

We would also make some changes in the organization of the Law Department. The Corporation Attorney, Public Administrator, and Attorney to the Board of Health should be appointed by the Judges of some one of our Courts, to suggest the Superior Court. There is a peculiar fitness in placing the power of appointment in these cases in a high legal tribunal. They are all closely connected with the administration of justice. The nature of the duties of the two attorneys named makes it important to the efficiency of their work that they should be removed as far as possible from the influence of party politics, while the duties of the Public Administrator are quasi judicial in their nature. There is no such connection between the duties of the Corporation Counsel and those of the officers named as makes it important to the efficiency of the office that he should appoint them.

A single point remains under this general head. Section 48 of the proposed charter amends the charter in an important respect. The charter of 1870 requires certain work and supplies for the City to be done and furnished by contract, and permits the heads of Departments to enter into such contracts on sealed proposals, and further requires those proposals to be publicly opened and in the presence of the Controller. That officer has thus the power to check any unnecessary expenditure. The amendment allows the proposals to be opened if "the Controller, after due notice fail, to attend." In that case the heads of Departments would act without restriction, and make any contract they saw fit. This dangerous power should not be conferred. The Controller will not be likely to "fail to attend" on most arbitrary grounds when he is liable to summary removal by the Mayor. As this section stands, sickness or other sufficient ground for absence on the part of the Controller leaves the whole matter of contracts open to the discretion of the heads of Departments.

V. The proposed charter continues the Board of Apportionment, with some changes in the officers that form it, and gives it very large and discretionary powers. Among these is the power to estimate and absolutely fix the sums to be levied by taxation on real and personal estate. The tax levy, instead of being made, as formerly, at Albany, is in substance to be made by the Board of Apportionment. We think it very important that there should be an opportunity to subject these estimates to critical examination and discussion on behalf of the tax-payers. Accordingly we propose that the estimates shall be submitted to the Board of Aldermen for a fixed number of days, which shall have full power during this time to criticise and examine the "budget." We also provide that the heads of Departments shall have seats in the Board of Aldermen for the purpose of discussing and answering questions concerning matters arising in their various Departments, but shall have no power to vote. The function of the Aldermen is to criticise the estimate, but not to vote upon it, and if they have any objections to it, these are to be returned to the Board of Apportionment for consideration before final decision. We also provide for an opportunity for citizens to be heard before the Board under reasonable regulations. After this discussion the Board of Apportionment are to decide finally upon the estimates, and, if they differ from the Aldermen, to give their reasons and to publish them. We also provide for a complete record of the proceedings of this Board, and a full publication of a list of all officers and employes with their salaries. We think this feature of discussion and deliberation of great consequence, and yet it will be comparatively of little use unless the heads of Departments can be present with the Board of Aldermen to answer questions and make explanations.

VI. The entire charter should pass through competent hands for correction and revision, and for the purpose of harmonising its various sections with the charter of 1870. Its language every where bears the marks of haste and careless arrangement and composition. There are, also, various clauses of a minor nature which are objectionable, and which, if printed, would, no doubt, be rejected by the Legislative Committee.

It is impossible to give this charter due consideration unless the time for discussion before the joint Committees of the two Houses of the State Legislature shall be extended.

Your Committee, impressed with these views, have resolved to appear before those committees in a body, with their Chairman, and to urge upon such committees the points herein referred to, and to ask for an extension of time to consider and report further their views. No favorable a time has not occurred for many years to give this subject a patient hearing. No other leading questions are pressing upon the Legislature for solution. The people will not be satisfied with any more patch-work legislation. They will press the question again and again upon their public servants. If they are not listened to they will insist on an examination of these subjects, until they are settled on the broad basis of the public welfare, and without reference to the shifting grounds of a temporary party expediency.

In behalf of the Committee on Legislation, by Theodore W. Dwight, Chairman.

FOSTER TO BE HANGED.

The Court of Appeals Refuse a New Trial —History of His Crime.

A dispatch received from Albany states that the Court of Appeals, yesterday, rendered a decision in the case of William Foster, convicted of the murder of Mr. Avery D. Putnam, refusing Foster a new trial, which is equivalent to the official announcement that he will undoubtedly be hanged, unless clemency on the part of Gov. Dix be extended to him. The history of the crime, for the commission of which Foster will suffer the extreme penalty of the law, is well known to the community. Mr. Avery D. Putnam, whom Foster murdered, was a provision merchant, at No. 68 Pearl-street, residing at No. 3 Cottage-place. Among his lady-friends was Mme. Jeanne Duval, a milliner, of No. 762 Broadway. Mrs. Duval's eldest daughter sang in the choir of the Church of the Advent, and it was Mme. Duval's custom to go to the church on practice nights and escort her daughter home. On the evening of the 26th of April, 1871, Mr. Putnam called on Mme. Duval, who, in the course of conversation, said that she, and her younger daughter, Mlle. Mabelle Virginie Duval, were going up to the church to escort her eldest daughter home. Mr. Putnam said he would accompany them, and the party got on a car of the Broadway and University-place line, the conductor of which was Frank Goldthwait. On the front platform of the car was William Foster, the murderer, a son of a rich Eighteenth Ward Tammany Hall contractor, and then an ex-driver of the road. He was drunk. After nearing the Gilsey House, Mr. Putnam asked Mlle. Duval if she had seen the curious clock in the tower of the Gilsey House. Mlle. Duval could not see the clock from the side of the car, and went to the front door in order to do so. Foster and the driver, Patrick Cunningham, leered at her through the window. She at once resumed her seat by her mother. Foster then opened the door, put his head in, and looked in a most insulting manner at Mrs. Duval, who closed the door. It was reopened by Foster, when Mr. Putnam stood up, and again closed the door, at the same time remarking to the conductor that drunken men should not be allowed to ride in the cars. Foster entered the car, sat down, and said to Mr. Putnam, "How far are you going?" Receiving no reply, he said, "Well, I'm going as far as you, and I will give you —— when you get off." Foster then went out on the front platform. When the car was stopped at Forty-sixth-street to let Mr. Putnam and the ladies off, Foster said to the driver, "Have you got a hook?" and snatching the car-hook, ran around the car to the back platform. Mr. Putnam was assisting Mme. Duval to alight. Foster ran up behind the unfortunate merchant, and with one blow of the iron car-hook fractured his skull. Mr. Putnam fell senseless, and Foster ran away. The car was started, and Mme. Duval, her daughter, and the murdered man were left in the street. After two hours' delay Mr. Putnam was taken to St. Luke's Hospital, where he died forty-eight hours after. Foster was arrested and tried before Judge Cardozo, in Oyer and Terminer. His father's money procured the services of eminent counsel, ex-Judge Sydney Stuart (since dead) and Judge John K. Porter, who, however, could not save their client, for he was convicted and sentenced. A stay of proceedings was obtained by appealing to Judge Pratt, of Brooklyn, and the case finally carried to the Court of Appeals, which, yesterday, decided against Foster. The news affected Foster greatly, and he refused to see any representative of the Press. His wife and sister had an interview with him during the day. The formal remittitur will probably be received from the Court of Appeals by District-Attorney Phelps to-day, and that official will at once move to have Foster resentenced in accordance with the law.

MURDER IN CHATHAM-SQUARE.

A Truckman Killed by a Bill-Poster—Arrest of the Murderer.

An unknown man, apparently a German, was shot in the head last evening by Michael Nixon, a bill-poster, doing business at No. 11 East Broadway, and residing at No. 44 Baxter-street, and so grievously wounded that he died soon after admission to Park Hospital. It appears that between 5 and 6 o'clock last evening, Nixon was driving down the Bowery in a light business wagon. At Bayard-street he came in contact with the unknown man, who was riding a gray horse down the Bowery. Nixon desired the unknown man to turn out of the track with his horse and allow the wagon to pass. This the stranger refused to do, and a wordy altercation ensued between the two men, which was continued all the distance down the Bowery until Chatham-square was reached. Immediately in front of Seymour's hardware-store, No. 4 Chatham-square, Nixon drew out and drove up alongside the stranger, and the quarrel for a moment increased, and ended by Nixon taking from his pocket a small repeating pistol, which he fired at his antagonist. The latter fell from the horse upon which he was riding, and Nixon, apparently alarmed at the result of his act, jumped out of his wagon, and abandoning the vehicle and his horse, fled, and made his escape. A crowd soon collected about the fallen man, and Officer Fitzsimmons and Van Buskirk, of the Fourth Precinct, were promptly on hand. The wounded man was conveyed to the Station-house, and it was there found that the bullet from Nixon's pistol had entered at the angle of his left eye, and passing upward and inward had lodged in the brain. With all possible speed, an ambulance was procured, and the wounded man was taken to the Park Hospital, where death ensued soon after admission. The deceased appeared to be about thirty-five years of age, of light complexion, with sandy mustache. He was roughly dressed, and is supposed to have been a truckman. In his pockets were found several receipts for dues of Montauk Tribe No. 3, Improved Order of Red Men, of Williamsburg, made out in the name of Charles Pfyfer, and this is believed to be his name. Capt. Ulman, of the Fourth Precinct, sent several officers to Williamsburg to ascertain definitely who the dead man was, but up to a late hour last night they had not succeeded in determining his identity. The horse which he was riding is apparently a hoisting horse, such as is used on the docks, or the leader of a truck team.

In the meantime, Nixon had been arrested and taken to the Fourth Precinct Station. He was found by Officers Van Buskirk and Fitzsimmons at his home, No. 44 Baxter-street, where he had taken refuge after the commission of the crime. The pistol with which the deed was committed, a small size Sharp's repeater, was found in his room, with five chambers drawn. When questioned by Capt. Ulman, he admitted that he had shot the deceased, but claimed to have acted in self-defense, as the unknown had attempted to strike him with a whiffletree. He was locked up to await the action of the Coroner, who will take charge of the case to-day. He is a thirty-three years of age, a native of Ireland, is married, and has several children. It is said that he is of a very hasty and quarrelsome disposition, and has several times been arrested for engaging in street brawls.

THE SAWDUST SWINDLE.

Two Establishments Seized by the Police—Arrest of Five Persons.

The business known as the "sawdust swindle," which has been for years past flourishing to an alarming extent in this City, received a decided check yesterday. The swindle is probably well known to every one. The men employed in it secure by various means, names of people residing in various parts of the country, and by seductive circulars and tempting offers induce them, in too many instances, to invest their money in what proves an outrageous swindle. A variety of articles are named as being given for a nominal price, and the packages, when received by them, are found to contain sawdust, chips, shavings, &c.

For months past Superintendent Kelso has been in receipt of complaints from all parts of the country in regard to the swindlers. Scarcely a mail reaches his office but contains from ten to twenty of these circulars returned by parties who were too shrewd and too honest to be caught by the inducements held out by the swindlers. An effort was made, with the assistance of the Post-office authorities, to break up this business by withholding from the persons known to be engaged in this fraud the letters containing remittances from their victims. But this proved futile, as the swindlers resorted to the express companies.

Since the accession of Mr. Havemeyer to the Mayoralty, he has been in receipt of numerous complaints, which were referred to the Police Commissioners, upon whom he has continually urged the necessity for breaking up this dangerous business. The Police Commissioners referred the matter to Superintendent Kelso, and Capt. Irving, of the Detective Office, was detailed to ascertain by whom the country was being flooded with circulars, and to arrest the guilty parties if possible. With the assistance of Detective Reilly, two suspected places were watched, viz., Nos. 208 and 209 Broadway, and the officers soon became convinced that both the places indicated there existed "sawdust" establishments.

Yesterday a raid was made on these places. At 2 o'clock Capt. Irving, with Detectives Golden, Dilks, Heidelberg, and Kairns, were on the watch in front of No. 209 Broadway, when a wagon of Adams Express Company drove up, and one of the men in the wagon got out and, taking a package from the wagon, proceeded upstairs to an office on the third floor. Capt. Irving followed closely upon his heels, and entered the office in time to see a man in charge sign the receipt for the package. The Captain signaled to his officers, who entered and took possession of the place. Three men found in the office were arrested, and gave their names as James Havens, James Enser, and James Houston. The place was then searched, and was found to contain large numbers of circulars similar to those alluded to, and addressed ready for mailing, a number of boxes of the "Vital Spark," together with the pamphlets and circulars handling its remarkable life-giving qualities, several directories, and books filled with names and addresses of thousands of persons throughout the United States. Also several packages ready to be sent out by express, which on being opened were found to contain old newspapers. The property was seized by the Police and retained as evidence. The prisoners were locked up at Police Head-quarters. Havens is said to be one of the principal men engaged in the business. His real name is Wm. Hubbard, and he has done business under the name of Owen Bros., Ryan & Co., Kelly & Co., and a dozen other names. He is very respectably connected, and said to be worth over $200,000. When arrested he offered to compromise the matter with Capt. Irving on his own terms, but his offer was indignantly rejected. Enser and Houston are clerks in the employ of Hubbard.

A descent was then made on the establishment of J. R. Emerson, situated at No. 609 Broadway, by Capt. Irving and Detectives Clapp and Kelso.

On entering the room the occupants were found to be two young men, who were busily employed in addressing envelopes. They gave their names as John P. Kollstead and Edward Burton, said that they had been engaged there on the previous day, and did not know what the nature of the business was. These men were arrested, and the place, with several circulars, addressed envelopes, and all the paraphernalia of the business, were found, and seized by the Police. The prisoners will be arraigned before Justice Dowling, at the Tombs Police Court, to-day.

Rearrest of Woodhull, Claflin, and Blood.

District-Attorney Phelps yesterday granted bench-warrants for the arrest of Mesdames Woodhull and Claflin and Col. Blood, on a new charge, preferred against them by Mr. Luther C. Challis, of issuing through the mails copies of their *Weekly*, containing the alleged obscene article about him. Order of arrest Sheriff Jarvis and two deputies went to the office, in Broad-street, about 4½ o'clock, and captured the three persons, who were indicted yesterday. They were put into a carriage, which was in readiness, and taken to the District-Attorney's office. Meantime a messenger had been dispatched to notify their counsel and procure bail, and both were promptly on hand, but as the District-Attorney had gone home, the under Sheriff was compelled to lock the three prisoners up all night in the Tombs.

Highway Robbery in Jersey City.

John M. Bird was attacked by a gang of ruffians in Henderson-street, Jersey City, at 2 o'clock, yesterday morning. They knocked him down with a slung-shot, and beat him severely, and robbed him of $13 in money. Bird cried "Murder," when Capt. Van Riper and Officer Mars came to his aid and rescued him. One of the gang was arrested. He gave his name as Cornelius Dailey, and was committed for trial. Bird had three bad wounds on his head and face, but is not seriously injured.

THE CALDWELL CASE.

Cross-Examination of Mr. Clarke—Animus of the Prosecution—Difficulties of Mr. Caldwell's Position.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The rigorous cross-examination to which Sidney Clark was subjected by the Caldwell Investigating Committee disclosed the fact that Clark is influenced by malice in his prosecution, and has a code of questionable ethics. He was compelled to confess that he did not testify that Caldwell had informed him that his election cost him $60,000, although the same facts were lodged in his memory then as now. The opportunity was given him to answer the question, and he had taken an oath to tell the whole truth. Mr. Carpenter's cross-examination brought confusion to the proverbially imperturbable Clark. The impression upon the spectators, and apparently upon the Committee, is that Clark is shrewd, malicious, and unscrupulous. The impression created by the testimony to-day, however, was that Caldwell is not exculpated by proving that his prosecutors are great rascals, or that he himself regularly partakes of the Communion, and that he may not free himself from taint or bribery unless he can prove that his own partner is a perjurer.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The Caldwell investigation was resumed this morning.

Mr. C. S. Stillwell, of Leavenworth, Kansas, testified that Mr. Anderson, the Kansas Pacific Railroad representative, had said to Mr. Anthony that Mr. Caldwell employed him to pay out some money in the election, and owed him a balance on that account; Mr. Anderson did not say to whom he paid the money.

Sidney Clark was then recalled and cross-examined by Judge Crosier for Mr. Caldwell: Witness published the card which gave rise to the legislative investigation at Topeka, of Caldwell's election, and being otherwise urged, testified in that investigation; thinks he did not then state that he had a conversation with Caldwell, in which he (Caldwell) said his election cost him $75,000; did not mention this because he was satisfied that the Legislative Committee did not mean to have a fair inquiry, but had been influenced by Caldwell to damage witnesses and Senator Pomeroy, and the question was not asked.

Judge Crosier then read from the report of the Topeka investigation certain questions and answers bearing on this point, which witness could not say were or were not asked and made. Witness said that Mr. Snoddy, the Chairman, refused to allow him to go outside of the direct questions he (Snoddy) asked. On one occasion, when he attempted to testify in regard to Mr. Caldwell, he was interrupted and his attention directed to other things. The understanding was that Mr. Snoddy pretended, publicly, to be opposed to Mr. Caldwell, but was secretly working in his favor; had a determination to bring the matter before the Senate from the first; meant to prosecute a thorough investigation before the Committee of the Legislature, until he found that it was not conducted legitimately; the investigation was secret; no prosecutor was present and only one witness at a time; witness thinks the report of the testimony was changed all the way through; the reporter was an intelligent, upright gentleman, but out of practice. The Committee was not composed of enemies of Caldwell, and the Speaker, who appointed them, was not unfriendly to Caldwell. Their report was unanimous against Caldwell. Witness was not influenced in bringing this matter before the Senate by the consideration that Caldwell had not paid his (Clark's) expenses.

Edward Manning testified that he was a member of the lower House of the Legislature by which Caldwell was elected; don't know any thing about the use of money to secure his election; no inducements were offered for his vote; had an overdue note for $2,000 at a bank in Leavenworth; Col. Beall, a member of the Legislature from Shannon County, told him that he thought he could get the note lifted if he would vote for Caldwell; told him to call and Tom Anderson about it; did not see Anderson; don't recall any member having said inducements were offered for his vote.

Witness was examined at length about the note. Carney's offer to raise it was not an inducement for him to vote for Caldwell; it did not influence him; subsequently Beall drew a note, payable, witness thinks, to Caldwell or Carney; it was not presented to either; it was indorsed by himself and Beall; the bank refused it, and the original note has not been paid; knew that Clark had money to influence the election; tried to borrow $1,000 from him; don't think Carney had reason to think the proposed loan would influence his vote, or that Caldwell was under any obligation to lend it.

Henry Foot, of Leavenworth, denied Anthony's statement that he (Anthony) was friendly to Caldwell; said they were violently antagonistic; went to Topeka to work for Caldwell; was intimate with Caldwell and his friends, and knew nothing of any money transaction on the part of Caldwell's friends in the canvass; Caldwell entered the canvass at the request of a large number of the best citizens of Leavenworth, who signed a petition asking him to be a candidate.

C. B. Brace, of Leavenworth, testified that Mr. Anthony tried to get up anti-Caldwell meetings, failed, and a large meeting called by Anthony indorsed Caldwell.

George H. Smith, of Leavenworth, said that he took an active part in the canvass, supported Caldwell only because he was a Leavenworth man; Caldwell never told him that his election cost him $20,000; he never knew or heard of any money being used to secure votes for Caldwell; he finally admitted that he had in a joking manner offered to pay for votes; did not know how many members might have heard him; never offered any other inducement except argument; don't think he would have given twenty-five cents for a vote.

John L. Pendry, a lawyer, of Leavenworth, corroborated the previous witnesses statements as to the manner of Caldwell entering the canvass. William H. Carson told witness that he meant to make money out of this investigation.

Thomas P. Fenlan, a Democratic member of the Lower House, said that he voted for Caldwell because he was from Leavenworth, and a fit man, and there was no chance of electing a Democrat. It was the general talk in Topeka that money was being used, but he knew nothing of any improper inducements being accepted or offered for votes. On the day when the first vote was taken he introduced a resolution directing the Speaker to administer to members an oath that their votes had not been and would not be influenced by a money consideration. The resolution was adopted, and about two-thirds of the members took it. One of the arguments against his resolution was that the members had taken an oath when they took their seats, and that was "swear enough." The votes of those who refused to take the oath were scattering. He introduced the resolution because of the general rumors of corruption that prevailed.

Jerry Clarke, Postmaster at Leavenworth, testified that, in his presence, Carney denounced Caldwell and Smith, and declared with an oath that he would oust the former from his seat; went to Topeka and worked for Caldwell; neither saw nor heard of the improper use of money; expended $94 for hotel and car fare; about two weeks later Caldwell gave him a check for $100; before the canvass opened Caldwell had told him that he would pay his legitimate expenses; at the same time he said he expected to pay the legitimate expenses of the canvass, but no one need ask anything further; it was not previously understood that he was to be made Postmaster; wrote to Caldwell after the latter came to Washington, asking for the place; supposed it was given through personal friendship and because he (witness) had applied for it three or four years before; displaced Mrs. Johnson, a widow, before her term expired; served in the Quarter-master's Department during the war. When Carney threatened to oust Caldwell, he said that six years before he, (Carney) was running for the Senate, and lacked only ten votes of a majority; that he gave Lin Smith $25,000 to secure those votes, but that Smith sold him out and kept the money, and that Caldwell was in the conspiracy; witness thinks that Smith and Carney were not partners at that time, though they had previously been. Witness and Carney had been enemies for some years, on account of a suit in which Carney was incidentally interested.

Judge Crosier said that he wanted to ask Carney a question.

Mr. Carney took the stand and Crosier asked him if he told Clarke that he gave Smith $25,000, or any other sum, as described.

Mr. Carney—Never one cent.

Mr. Carpenter objected to the question, but finally withdrew his objection, and Carney made the same reply.

Mr. Morton called Mr. Len Smith, and asked: "During the Senatorial contest, six years ago, did Mr. Carney give you $25,000, or any other sum, for the purpose of influencing votes?"

Mr. Carpenter—Oh, Mr. Chairman, I object.

Mr. Morton—Let the Committee decide.

Messrs. Anthony, Logan, and Hill thought the question was irrelevant, but that under the circumstances it should be answered.

Mr. Trumbull thought not.

The room was cleared, and after a brief consultation, the doors were again opened, and Mr. Morton announced that the Committee were equally divided, and that the question would not be asked.

Mr. Fenton was recalled, and Mr. S. J. Langdon, a member of the Legislature, examined, but said nothing of importance.

An Alderman Arrested.

Assistant Alderman Jeremiah Murphy, elected on the Tammany ticket from the Fourth Ward last election, was arraigned before Justice Scott, at the Tombs, yesterday, for having brutally assaulted Mr. Michael J. Kelly, of the *Herald*, at the Matthew T. Brennan ball, a few evenings since. Murphy, who is known as Jerry "Meat," while School Trustee in the Fourth Ward, was dismissed by the Board of Education for black-mailing school-teachers. He was also arrested by Gov. Dix for bounty fraud. When asked yesterday by Justice Scott what he had to say, he replied, "Nothing," and a man named Rosendale becoming surety for Murphy's appearance in the Court of General Sessions, the Assistant Alderman triumphantly left the Court.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The Bar Association met last evening, and passed resolutions of condolence in regard to the death of the late Judge John Slosson.

The West-side Association will meet, at Lyric Hall this evening, when the question of rapid transit and other important matters will be discussed.

Rev. Dr. Charles F. Deems lectured on "Trifles," last evening, in the Forty-eighth-street Presbyterian Church, in aid of the building fund of that church.

Prof. Allan Carr will lecture to-morrow evening at the Baptist Church, Seventeenth-street, near Sixth-avenue, on "A Night in the English House of Commons."

Mary Ann Prince, wife of a painter, residing at No. 292 Seventh-street, while insane from drinking, cut her throat, at her residence, on Monday night. Coroner Herrman held an inquest yesterday.

A seizure of a large quantity of miscellaneous articles which did not appear on the manifest of the steam-ship Bremen, was made by Inspector Marks yesterday. The value of the goods is about $1,000.

The deferred meeting of the Samana Bay Company will probably be held this afternoon at the office of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company. The Tybee will return to Samana Bay toward the close of next week.

Patrolman Patrick Fay, of the Eighth Precinct, was dismissed the department yesterday for neglecting his lawful wife. Patrolman Terence O'Brien, of the Essex Market Police Court squad, was dismissed for intoxication.

The old Burns Club, of this City, will hold its annual dinner at the Grand Central Hotel on Monday evening, 27th instant. Hon. A. Smith, H. E. Perkins, S. G. Courtney, and Jas. Anderson, will be respondents to toasts on that occasion.

The annual ladies' reception of the Union League Club will be held on Thursday, the 30th of January, at 9 o'clock. The tickets will not be transferrable, and this rule will be rigidly enforced. Members should apply for tickets without delay.

Superintendent Macgregor, of the Department of Buildings, has received the official reports of the inspection of the hotels, primary schools, and other buildings in this City. These reports have already been published in the TIMES.

The Republican General Committee met last night. Hugh Gardner presided, and a Committee on Contested Seats was appointed, and consisted of Thos. Murphy, Geo. Bliss, Jr., Jno. D. Lawson, Henry G. Leaske, and Geo. Lockwood.

Company I of the Fifth Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., commanded by Capt. Henry Gimpel, gave its annual ball at the Casino, in Houston-street, last night, which was largely patronized by the members and officers of different militia organizations.

The New-York, Boston and Montreal Railway Company held a meeting yesterday at No. 229 Broadway. Mr. Hoyt, the Vice-President, stated that the preliminaries being now arranged, the new Company will pursue their scheme of rapid transit with vigor and determination.

Yesterday Coroner Herrman took the antemortem statements of John A. Klenart, who was beaten on Sunday last by Joseph Weingart, proprietor of a lager-beer saloon at No. 134 Orchard-street. The jury found a verdict against Weingart, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

The Grand Jury came into Court, yesterday, in General Sessions, and handed to the Clerk a batch of indictments. Except one, in which Mrs. Woodhull, Miss Claflin, and Col. Blood were presented for publishing an obscene paper, none of the indictments were of special importance.

The Jumel will case was continued yesterday. The deposition of Jason Perry was read and indorsed as perjury. The entries of Major Ballou regarding the birth of G. W. Bowen were received, and several wills of Mme. Jumel, in which mention was made of Bowen, were put in by the defense.

At a special meeting of the Gold Exchange, yesterday, the resignations of the Executive Committee were received and accepted. The election for a Second Vice-President was postponed for ten days, until it shall be decided whether the constitution shall be amended so that no salary be paid to the Second Vice-President.

The Continental and National Bank Note Companies have successfully completed their contracts for printing the bonds and currency for the Japanese Government. Mr. T. Yosio, the Japanese Commissioner, who has been superintending this business, having completed his labors, will shortly return to his own country.

At 7 o'clock last evening a fire occurred in the basement of the four-story brick building, No. 841 Hudson-street. Loss, $200; insured. The building is damaged $900; insured. Elizabeth Welsh, aged seventy-five years, who resides on the third floor of the building, was rescued from suffocation by Patrolman Rigney, of the Ninth Precinct.

The Noble contested will case, referred to last week, was concluded yesterday, Surrogate Hutchings admitting the will to probate. The contestant claiming to have been married to the deceased under the laws of the State, proved the birth of child, but it could not be shown that the child was born alive. To sustain the claim against the estate, the Surrogate holds that both marriage and living issue must be proved.

BROOKLYN.

Another unsuccessful attempt was made, yesterday, to elect a Chairman in the Board of Supervisors.

Nicholas Schmidt, lager-beer seller of No. 600 Fulton-avenue, was yesterday sent to jail for ten days for violating the Excise Law.

The latest intelligence from ex-Mayor Kalbfleisch, last evening, represented him as steadily improving, and that there was a fair prospect of his recovery.

The building known as the old Post-office, situated on Washington-street, near Myrtle-avenue, was sold at public auction yesterday, to Mr. John A. White, for some New-York capitalists at $200,500.

Messrs. Coe and Ryder, who were appointed a special committee to make up the standing committees of the Board of Supervisors, reported progress, yesterday, and were granted further time.

Early yesterday morning, John Collins aged nineteen years, residing at No. 227 Gold street, was assaulted by some unknown person, at the corner of Smith and State streets, receiving a severe blow on the head with a club.

Mrs. Elizabeth Spicer has brought suit in the City Court against George Spicer, her deceased husband's brother, to recover $41,000, the amount of her husband's estate. The defendant denies that she was ever married to his brother.

Counselor James Gray, while defending a client against a charge of violating the Excise law, in Justice Mike's Court yesterday, was seized with an epileptic fit and fell senseless to the floor. Restoratives were successfully applied and the case was postponed.

Yesterday a team of horses attached to a coach, belonging to Ryerson & Seaman, ran away from their stables, corner of Clinton and Degraw streets. The driver, John Halsey, was thrown from his seat and severely injured. The coach, valued at $1,000, was dashed against a lamp-post and utterly ruined.

Dr. Swain, Surgeon of the Brooklyn Fire Department, made his third annual report to the Commissioners yesterday. There were during the year sixty-five cases of illness among members of the Department, involving a loss of 1,068 days. The whole force consists of 197 officers and men. There have been three deaths in the Department during the year.

NEW-JERSEY.

The money received at the Jersey City Abattoir for cattle sold during the month ending at noon yesterday, was $3,426,000. This includes freight, &c.

W. S. Andrews will lecture this evening before the Young Men's Christian Association of Elizabeth, at Library Hall. Subject: "Dialect Humor," with readings.

The reward of $300 offered for the arrest of George Sherburne by the father of the girl Josephine Drew, has been paid to the Jersey City police. It is held by the Chief to await the orders of the Commissioners.

Mr. Wm. H. Bumsted returned to Jersey City yesterday, a day earlier than was intended. He was accompanied by his father. On reaching the depot he was placed in a close carriage, and driven to his home on the Heights.

The body of a new-born child, wrapped in a cambric handkerchief, from which the initials had been cut, and packed in a cigar-box, was found by Officer Hull in one of the upper districts of Jersey City on Saturday night.

The body of Josephine Drew, the victim of George Sherburne, was yesterday taken from the grave in which it had been interred in Jersey City, and was last night forwarded to Concord, in charge of Marshal Chadwick and the father of the unfortunate girl.

Yesterday morning, Margaret